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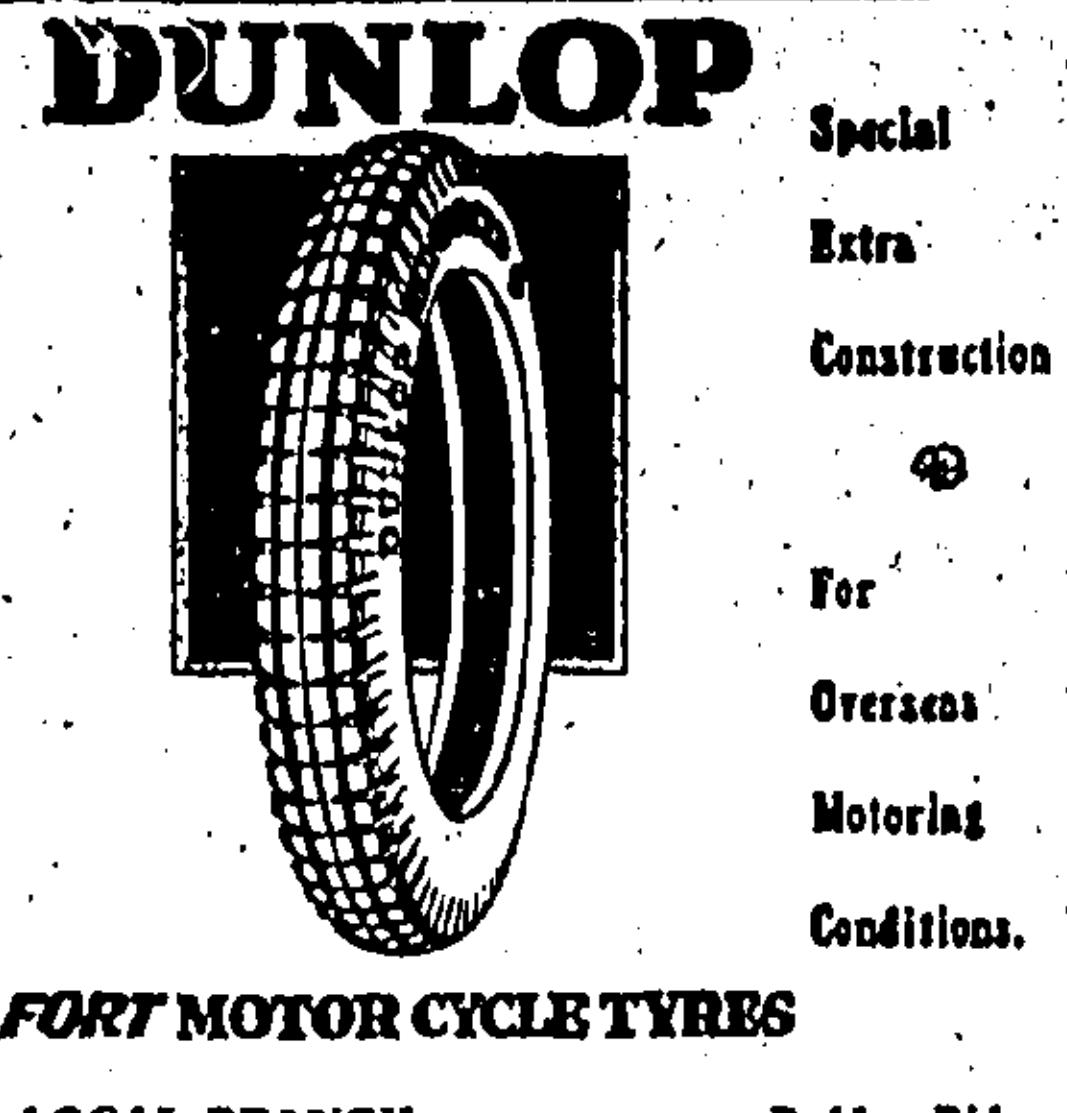
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LONDON POLITICAL SENSATION.

WINSTON CHURCHILL'S GRACEFUL EXIT.

BREAKS WITH COLLEAGUES IN SHADOW CABINET.

MR. BALDWIN'S REPLY.

A SENSATION has been caused in London political circles by the publication of letters which have passed between Mr. Winston Churchill and Mr. Stanley Baldwin in the last day or two, following the Conservative leader's repudiation of the ex-Chancellor of the Exchequer during the debate on India.

Mr. Churchill and Mr. Baldwin are no longer friends, at least politically. Mr. Churchill is not likely to obtain a place in the Cabinet should the Conservatives return to power, and it is rumoured that he may desert politics for commerce.

The surprise of Mr. Churchill's "fall" is accentuated by the strong belief in political quarters some months ago when Mr. Baldwin's leadership was the subject of a sustained attack that Mr. Winston Churchill aspired to step into his shoes. The facts may not be without connexion.

SUSPICIONS CONFIRMED.

London, Jan. 29. Mr. Churchill wrote a letter to Mr. Baldwin on January 27, in which he said: Now that our divergence of views on Indian policy has become public, I feel should no longer attend the meetings of the "Business Committee" of the Shadow Cabinet.

Mr. Churchill adds that he will give Mr. Baldwin the utmost assistance to secure the defeat of the Socialist Government.

Mr. Baldwin Agrees.

Mr. Baldwin replied yesterday: Much as he regrets the decision of Mr. Churchill not to attend the meetings of his old colleagues, he (Mr. Baldwin) is convinced that the decision is correct in the circumstances.

He agrees with Mr. Churchill that there is nothing in a difference of opinion on a single policy to prevent close and loyal co-operation in doing their utmost to turn out the present government.

Long Felt Suspicion.

Later. Mr. Winston Churchill's withdrawal from the Conservative Business Committee confirms a suspicion long entertained in political quarters that he was to be excluded from Mr. Baldwin's next Cabinet.

It is freely suggested that Mr. Churchill was well aware of the movement against him, and in view of his antagonism to Mr. Baldwin's "Indian policy," he has seized the opportunity gracefully to retire from the sphere of government.

Going Into Commerce?

It is strongly rumoured that Mr. Churchill will shortly accept a commercial appointment.—*Reuters*.

Mr. Churchill has been very indiscreet, but his disappearance from the Front Benches will be generally regretted in view of his engaging personality and rhetorical powers.

But no man has been more criticised than Mr. Churchill, and there can be no doubt that he does not enjoy universal confidence.

Mr. Churchill's Impulsiveness.

The reason is to be found largely in the fact that people distrust his judgment and regard him as too impulsive. The judgment of a politician is, however, a highly controversial question. His critics think him always wrong and his supporters invariably right. Un-

GIANT TASK BEGINNING.

BRITISH ECONOMIC MISSION.

DRAFTING REPORT

Faced with the big task of compiling its report, in addition to making further enquiries, the British Economic Mission to the Far East arrived in the Colony this morning on the P. and O. liner *Comoro*, from Shanghai, and will remain here until March.

The Mission expects that its investigations here, which will be conducted on similar lines to the procedure followed in North China and Japan, will occupy a week. During the period the members will be busily engaged in interviewing the executives of the various firms and businesses and in discussing matters with them in private conversation. Canton will also be included.

Then the Mission will settle down to its enormous task of classifying the mass of miscellaneous information and data that has been gathered during the past three months in the North.

Some idea of the magnitude of this task can be gathered from the fact that the Mission will occupy the entire suite of offices on the first floor of the Peninsula Hotel, and that the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce was asked to engage a staff of six stenographic typists and four copying typists to prepare the report.

Arrived This Morning.

On arrival this morning the Mission was met by Mr. E. W. Hamilton, representing the Hongkong Government, Mr. M. F. Key, secretary of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, and Mr. Chen Keung-pik, secretary of the Chinese Chamber. Mr. Hamilton has been appointed by the Government to assist the Mission.

The Cotton Mission, whose members are also on the Economic Mission, will prepare its report at the same time.

Settled in its offices this morning, the Mission immediately set to work, and its members have already begun to arrange their Hongkong interviews. During their stay they will be entertained by both Chambers at either dinner or dinner, but nothing definite has yet been arranged.

The Mission is due to leave for England on March 5.

MINE EXPLOSION IN CUMBERLAND.

THREE OF FORTY RESCUED ALIVE HITHERTO.

London, Jan. 29. Between forty and fifty miners are estimated to be missing as the result of an explosion in the Haig Pit at Whitehaven, Cumberland.

Every effort is being made to effect rescues, but it is feared that many of those below ground must have lost their lives.

Up to the present eight bodies have been recovered from the Haig Pit. Three have been rescued, but two of them are in a serious condition, having been badly gassed.

A score of men, at least, are still missing.—*Reuters*.

TRAMWAY DIVIDEND.

FINAL PAYMENT OF FORTY CENTS.

Making a total of 80 cents per share for the year 1930, the Directors of Hongkong Tramways Limited will recommend a Final Dividend of 40 cents per share at the date of the forthcoming Ordinary Yearly General Meeting of the Company shortly to be announced.

CLOUDY WEATHER.

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone is central to the N.W. of Korea. Moderate to fresh monsoon along the S.E. coast of China and over the North China Sea. The local forecast is:—N.E. winds, moderate; generally cloudy.

FEARS FOR ROYAL INVALID.

PRINCESS BEATRICE'S HEART ATTACKS.

DAUGHTER ARRIVES.

London, Jan. 29. A bulletin issued from Kensington Palace this afternoon states that Princess Beatrice, the aunt of the King, who is suffering from acute bronchitis and shock from a broken arm, has been subject to temporary attacks of heart weakness.

Her Royal Highness's condition must be regarded as less satisfactory.

The Queen of Spain the only daughter of Princess Beatrice, has arrived in London in response to a summons to her mother's bedside.

The Queen arrived at the Palace at seven o'clock this evening, and a bulletin issued later stated that her presence had been a helpful factor in a slight improvement in the condition of Princess Beatrice.

There has been no heart attack,

the bulletin adds, since noon to-day, but some anxiety must

MR. SNOWDEN ON SILVER.

REHABILITATION PLANS IMPRACTICABLE.

DECLINES ACTION.

London, Jan. 29.

In the House of Commons at question-time, Mr. Philip Snowden, said he was not aware that any practicable proposals for the rehabilitation of silver had hitherto been suggested.

He was not of the opinion that any useful purpose would be served in approaching the French and United States Governments with a view to taking joint action with this end in mind.—*Reuters*.

necessarily continue for the present.

Princess Beatrice is 73 years of age and a severe illness must be dangerous.—*Reuters*.

CANADA & UNITED STATES.

ECONOMIC ZOLLVEREIN POSSIBLE.

Ottawa, Jan. 29.

The Prime Minister, Mr. R. B. Bennett, accompanied by Mr. MacInider, the United States Minister to Canada, has left for Washington to confer with President Hoover on, *inter alia*, the development of deep waterways on the St. Lawrence River route and the undue restrictions on crossing and re-crossing the boundary by Canadians and Americans.

Mr. Bennett may also suggest an America-Canadian economic zollverein in order to meet the threat of Russian competition, particularly in agricultural products, timber, wood-pulp, and coal.—*Reuters American Service*.

DEATH PENALTY REPORT.

GOVERNMENT TO TAKE NO ACTION.

London, Jan. 29.

In the House of Commons, the Home Secretary, Mr. J. R. Clynes, stated that the Government did not propose to take any action on the recent report of the Select Committee on Capital Punishment.

The report recommended the abolition of the death penalty for an experimental period of five years.—*British Wireless*.

On a charge of stealing three yards of black bunting from the Naval Yard Store, a Chinese employed in the store was sentenced to three weeks' hard labour by Mr. Lindsell at the Central Police Court this morning.

GENERAL BUTLER TO FACE COURT-MARTIAL.

STORY REFLECTING ON MUSSOLINI.

AMERICA APOLOGISES TO ITALIAN PREMIER.

PECULIAR AFFAIR.

Washington, Jan. 29.

The most indiscreet retailing in public of a story reflecting upon Signor Mussolini, the Italian Premier, by a responsible officer, giving rise to one of the most peculiar diplomatic incidents in which the United States has ever been involved, had its climax to-day when the Government expressed full and unreserved apologies to Signor Mussolini.

The apology was made by Mr. H. L. Stimson, the Secretary of State.

The incident arose as the result of an after dinner speech by General Smedley Butler, who is one of the most popular officers in the U.S. Marine Corps, and who was stationed in command of the special forces in Shanghai during the crisis of 1926 and 1927.

Enfant Terrible.

Gen. Smedley Butler, who has served in the Marine Corps for over thirty years, has long been regarded as an *enfant terrible*, but his indiscretions hitherto have brought upon him nothing more serious than an unofficial reprimand.

In an interview, Mr. Summers of the L. E. Gale Co., who is awaiting the arrival of Mr. G. W. Brophy from the north, said that a misapprehension apparently exists concerning the damage sustained in Brophy's forced landing south of Foochow. Reports stated that the propeller was broken but such was not the case; the propeller, being all-metal, which is a special feature of the L. E. Gale Co.'s machines, merely had a blade bent.

These blades being detachable from the boss are easily replaced in an emergency, while the carrying of only spare blades effects a saving in weight carried and space occupied. The boss bearing graduated markings readily shows the requisite pitch at which to set a new blade; whilst if a forced landing is made under circumstances which only allow of a very short take-off, the pitch of the blades can be altered accordingly.—*Our Own Correspondent*.

BRITISH DEBT TO AMERICA.

ANNUITY PERCENTAGE VERY HIGH.

London, Jan. 29.

Replying in the House of Commons to questions, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Philip Snowden, said the annuity payable to the United States Government this financial year under the debt-fund agreement represents 3.6 per cent. of the capital outstanding at the beginning of the financial year.

The corresponding figures in the case of the French and Italian debt settlements with the United States are approximately one per cent. and 0.7 per cent. respectively.—*British Wireless*.

DEATH SENTENCES ON SEVENTY.

Shanghai, Jan. 30.

Chinese papers this morning report that junk pirates in the Woosung area on the 27th instant, when being pursued by an attack military force, poured hot oil into the ears of five boatpeople, whom they had carried off for ransom and then hanged them to the masthead.

It is reported that two Chinese steamship companies plying between Shanghai and Ningpo have decided as from February 1st to employ sixteen anti-piracy guards for each of their vessels.—*British Wireless*.

R.A.F. TO COMPETE IN SPEED RACE.

GOVERNMENT PERSUADED TO CHANGE MIND.

PRIVATE FINANCING.

London, Jan. 29. Britain will compete in the Schneider Trophy Contest after all.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, himself a keen aviator, announced in the House of Commons to-day at question time that although the Government is strongly averse to perpetuating contests between rival government teams, it is so interested in the Schneider Trophy that it is prepared to authorise its defence by the Royal Air Force and to grant provisional assistance as in 1929 provided a definite undertaking is given immediately that the necessary funds will be available from private sources so as to carry out the race in the proper way.

The Premier said that the delegation of the Members of Parliament had assured him that the money required would be raised privately so that no expense would fall upon the public funds.

He regretted the delay that had occurred and recognised that it must be to the disadvantage of the British entry. The Government's decision had, however, been reversed after careful consideration. In the special circumstances—the trophy will be Britain's permanent property if won again—they were prepared to assist.—*British Wireless*.

The reply is favourable to the players and the matter is to be dealt with at a meeting of the Council of the H.K.F.A. which has been called for Tuesday next.

The news is eminently satisfactory, long as the English authorities have been in arriving at a decision. It is timely, also, as the matter has again been raised in consequence of the inclusion by Shanghai in their interport team of a player who participated in the ill-fated tour.

Recent Argument.

A letter addressed to the *Telegraph* and the *Morning Post* a few days ago, asked when the Association proposed to reinstate the players concerned, and inferred that as Shanghai and Singapore had both decided that all the players coming under their jurisdiction were still entitled to play as amateurs, Hongkong must be wrong.

Hongkong was, of course, quite correct. The grounds of the Singapore decision are not known, but the finding of the Shanghai Football Association Council shows that, had the rules been strictly adhered to, as they should have been, all the Shanghai players forfeited their amateur status.

Shanghai's Decision.

The relevant part of the Shanghai decision reads: "that the players concerned, probably through ignorance, undoubtedly violated the rules of the English Football Association regarding amateurs, and that the manager of the tour was a party to that contravention. That, in view of the special circumstances of the case, all who were concerned... should be cautioned."

The finding corresponded in all vital particulars with that of Hongkong, and on such a finding, the Hongkong contention that the Council had no option but to declare the players professionals and unable to compete in amateur football until reinstated, must be correct.

Could Shanghai Be Right?

The rules do not provide for a caution in any circumstances. A player is either an amateur or a professional. If he violates his amateur status he automatically becomes a professional, and "automatically" permits of no variation. Sympathy with the players concerned, and there is the widest possible sympathy for them even among the officials who pronounced sentence, does not allow Hongkong to skirt round rules.

Shanghai's decision, right or wrong, could not, in any event, make a jot of difference to that of the local Association. Happily, the local problem seems likely to be settled shortly by the employment of the correct procedure.—*Wanderer*.

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CIVIL SERVICE SALARIES.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL APPROVES CHANGE.

LOYALTY HOPED FOR.

"Unless the dollar rises appreciably the Colony's financial position is very serious indeed," stated His Excellency the Governor, at a meeting of the Legislative Council held yesterday afternoon. The statement was made in connexion with a resolution implementing the Secretary of State's approval of the scheme whereby the salaries of sterling-paid Civil Servants will be paid as to half at 1/6d. and half at the current rate of exchange.

His Excellency the Governor (Sir William Peel, K.B.E., C.M.G.) presided, and there were also present:

Colonel R. B. Cousins (Officer Commanding the Troops).

The Colonial Secretary (Hon. Mr. R. Hallifax, C.M.G., C.B.E.).

The Attorney General (Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., O.B.E.).

The Secretary for Chinese Affairs (Hon. Mr. A. E. Wood).

The Colonial Treasurer (Hon. Mr. C. McI. Measer, O.B.E.).

Hon. Mr. H. T. Creasy, C.B.E. (Director of Public Works).

Hon. Commander G. F. Hole, R.N. (Retired) (Harbour Master).

Hon. Dr. A. R. Wellington (Director of Medical and Sanitary Services).

Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G. (Inspector General of Police).

Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, Kt.

Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., I.L.D.

Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie.

Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga.

Hon. Mr. S. W. Tao, O.B.E., I.L.D.

Mr. N. L. Smith (Deputy Clerk of Councils).

New Member.

The Oath of Allegiance was taken by Colonel R. B. Cousins on assuming his seat as Officer Commanding the Troops.

Standing Law Committee.

H.E. the Governor.—As this is the first meeting of the Council this year, it is necessary to appoint the Standing Law Committee. I propose to appoint the following members who have agreed to serve:—Hon. Attorney General (Chairman), Hon. Colonial Treasurer, Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes, Hon. Mr. S. W. Tao, O.B.E., I.L.D.

Congratulations.

The Hon. Sir Shouson Chow said:—Your Excellency, as this is the first meeting of the Legislative Council since the New Year Honours were announced, may I, on behalf of my fellow Unofficial Colleagues, tender our hearty congratulations to your Excellency upon the further honour which His Majesty the King has conferred on you. I might add, Sir, that this honour has given great satisfaction to all sections of the community, in whose name we, the Unofficial Members, also offer respectful congratulations.—(Applause).

H.E. the Governor.—Gentlemen, I thank you most sincerely for the kind congratulations, conveyed to me through my honourable friend who has just spoken. Whilst appreciating the personal compliment of the honour which His Majesty has graciously been pleased to confer upon me, I feel that it is in a large measure conferred on the Colony of which I have the privilege of being Governor. If it is in any sense in recognition of any services rendered, I realise that such services have only been possible through the help and advice I have received through Honourable Members here and from other members of the community. I thank you.

Salaries Question.

The Colonial Secretary moved the following resolution:—"That this Council approves the modification of its Resolution of the 19th June, 1930, on the Salaries Commission Report (set out on page

58 of the Hongkong Hansard for 1930) by the addition thereto of the following proviso:—Provided that, as from the 1st of January, 1931, and until the question of the exchange rate for sterling salaries paid to Government servants while serving in the Colony is next reviewed and until such rate is altered with the approval of this Council, such salaries be paid as to half thereof at the rate of 1/6 to the dollar and as to the other half at the prevailing Hongkong Treasury rate."

The Colonial Secretary said:—The resolution now to be put to the Council implements the promise made by His Excellency at the meeting of the Legislative Council on the 20th of October, 1930, when subject to the approval of the Secretary of State he engaged to accept the suggestion of the Hon. Mr. Paul Lauder, in connexion with the exchange rate for sterling salaries, which you are now asked to approve. The Secretary of State has cabled his approval and has added the proviso that in view of the uncertainty of the dollar exchange it should be made clear that the Government will review the question from time to time, and it will be notified that this point is embodied in the resolution.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded:

Unofficial Approval.

The Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie:—Sir, the Unofficial Members of this Council are greatly indebted to Your Excellency for bringing about the modification of the Resolution passed on 19th June last. They appreciate the very fair attitude you have adopted in connexion with this matter. Provided the modification is adhered to I do not anticipate there will be any further public controversy on the subject.

The basis on which salaries are to be paid under the new arrangement compares very favourably with the exchange compensation granted by most of the commercial houses here. Possibly some of the members of the Civil Service may feel that they have a grievance, as they will be in a somewhat worse position than they would have been had the original resolution remained in force. I feel certain, however, they will accept the decision of the Colonial Office in the right spirit, for all must realise that sacrifices are absolutely essential during the present world wide depression.

Spirit of Loyalty.

H.E. the Governor:—I thank the Honourable Member for his words of appreciation. I feel that the step had to be taken, but I regret very much that circumstances have rendered it necessary. I am sure that it will be appreciated that the proposal entails a measure of disappointment to many members of the Government service, and that there will be cases in which some hardship will be caused.

It can hardly be denied, however, that the payment of salaries at the current rate of exchange, with the dollar as low as it is to-day, would have placed them in a more favourable position than was anticipated, or could reasonably be expected by them. There is also no doubt that, if it had been foreseen that the dollar would go as low as it has done, the Salaries Commission would have modified very considerably their recommendations. I sincerely trust, therefore, that Government servants will accept the position in a true spirit of loyalty, and will realise that the financial position has rendered this step absolutely imperative.

Serious Position.

The financial position, unless the dollar rises appreciably, is very serious indeed. It is calculated that the sterling commitments in the approved Budget for this year amount to £577,773. This, for the purposes of the Budget, was converted at the rate of 1/4 to the dollar. If the dollar were to average 1/- for the current year, a sum of \$3,388,861 would have to be added to the expenditure figures. This, with the deficit actually shown in the approved Budget, which amounted to

\$2,299,098, would, in spite of increased taxation, make a total deficiency of \$5,687,957—a sum perilously near our present surplus. With the dollar at 1d. the deficit would further be increased by approximately 1 1/4 million. By the adoption of the half and half rate of payment, proposed by the resolution this afternoon, it will be possible to reduce the deficit of \$5,687,957 by over a million. I cannot give the exact figure, as it depends partly on the number of officers on leave, who will of course draw their actual sterling salaries in England, which will be converted at the usual rate through the Crown Agents.

Currency Question.

I would add that this serious position has been reached in spite of a ruthless pruning of the Estimates and the postponement of many desirable works. Investigation is being made as to whether further economies or postponements can be made. I am a chronic optimist, and still trust that the dollar may make some recovery, but there are many who take an opposite view. I should like to say that, as Honourable Members are aware, the report of the Currency Commission was sent Home some months ago, and is being considered by the experts. I trust that we may have some information from them before long. The question, however, is extraordinarily difficult, and it must be remembered that Hongkong is only a small part of a large fabric which is seriously affected by the price of silver, and that, so far as we can see, it would be impossible for Hongkong to attempt to take action independently of the rest of the fabric. Meanwhile we can only be patient and hope for improved conditions throughout the world in general.

The resolution was adopted.

Registration of Nurses.

The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to provide for the registration of nurses for the sick." He said:—As stated in the memorandum of objects and reasons attached to this Bill, it is based on the English Act of 1919. The Bill has been submitted to no less an authority than the Nursing Councils for England and Wales, Scotland, Northern Ireland and the Irish Free State and various recommendations have been incorporated in it.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the Bill was read a first time.

Widows and Orphans.

The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend further the Widows' and Orphans' Pension Ordinance, 1908." He said:—The objects of this Bill are explained in the memorandum attached to it.

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Public Health.

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The Census.

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Merchant Shipping.

The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1899." He said:—This revises and increases generally speaking the fees in connexion with the engagement and discharge of crews which are contained in Table "J" Clause four of the principal Ordinance, and also makes a minor amendment in Table "J." Clause four of the Bill is a suspending clause, and this Bill will be referred Home and will not come into force in the Colony until its approval has been pronounced by proclamation.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the Bill was read a first time.

Adjournment.

H.E. the Governor:—The Council stands adjourned until next Thursday, February 5.

ATTEMPTED ARMED ROBBERY.

FRUSTRATED BY VICTIM'S CRIES FOR HELP.

An attempted armed robbery which occurred in March 1929 was recalled yesterday when Chinese, Fong Ping, was charged before Mr. Butters, at the Kowloon Magistrate, with having assaulted a Chinese doctor, Wong Sik-yuen, residing on the second floor of No. 60, Lai Chi Kok Road, with intent to rob, and also with having had in his possession, and that of others, two pistols and two daggers.

Mr. Hin-shing Lo instructed by Messrs. Lyon & Hall appeared for the defence.

The story for the prosecution was that the complainant, who lived in No. 60, Lai Chi Kok Road, second floor, had a notice posted in the street advertising a cubicle to let. A Chinese woman rented the cubicle on March 18, and occupied it on March 20. Three days later she returned to the cubicle with a man, the defendant, whom she claimed to be her husband. They lived in the cubicle until March 26, when the woman left. On the morning of the following day the defendant had four men visitors. They had some conversation in the defendant's cubicle and then came out armed with two pistols and two daggers. Proceeding to the sitting room, where the complainant was having his morning meal with his family, the four men and the defendant, who was armed with a pistol, held up the occupants. The complainant tried to put up a defense, but was stabbed by one of the men. His wife caught hold of the assailant's arm and in doing so also received a cut on her hand. The other inmates raised an alarm and the assailants ran away, leaving behind them their weapons. The resolution was adopted.

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Photo taken at the Russian New Year Ball at the Majestic Hotel, Shanghai.



Mr. Sheng Cheng, the author of "Ma Mori" which has been translated into many languages. He is a Professor at the Sorbonne.



Mr. A. Strok, the well-known impresario, with his Far East manager.



One of the features of the Russian New Year Ball was an entertainment given in native costume, some of the performers being shown above.



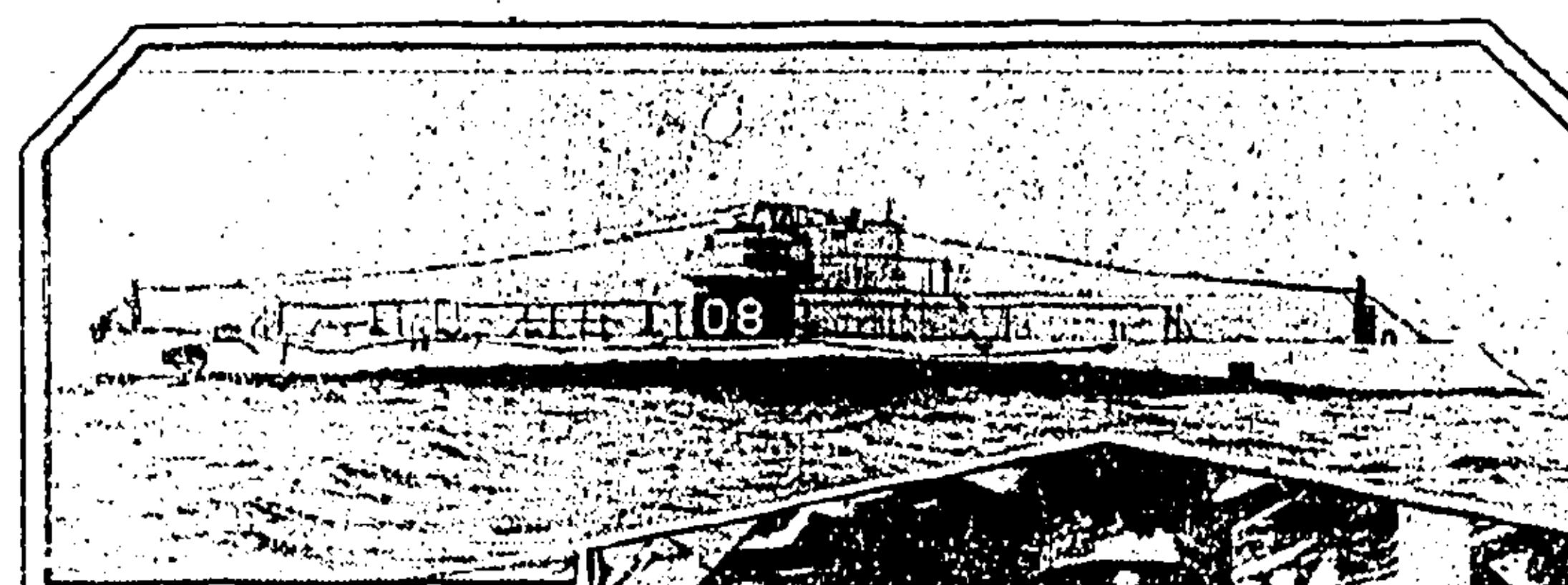
Mary Garden, world-famous opera singer, and Hamilton Forrest, the new American composer, formerly an office boy. He wrote "Camillo" an opera in which Miss Garden starred.



Photo taken after the wedding in Shanghai of Miss V. T. Bang and Mr. T. H. Chou. Mrs. Chou is Associate Editor of the "China Critic."



Bishop Simon, the revered prelate of the Shanghai Orthodox Russian Church.



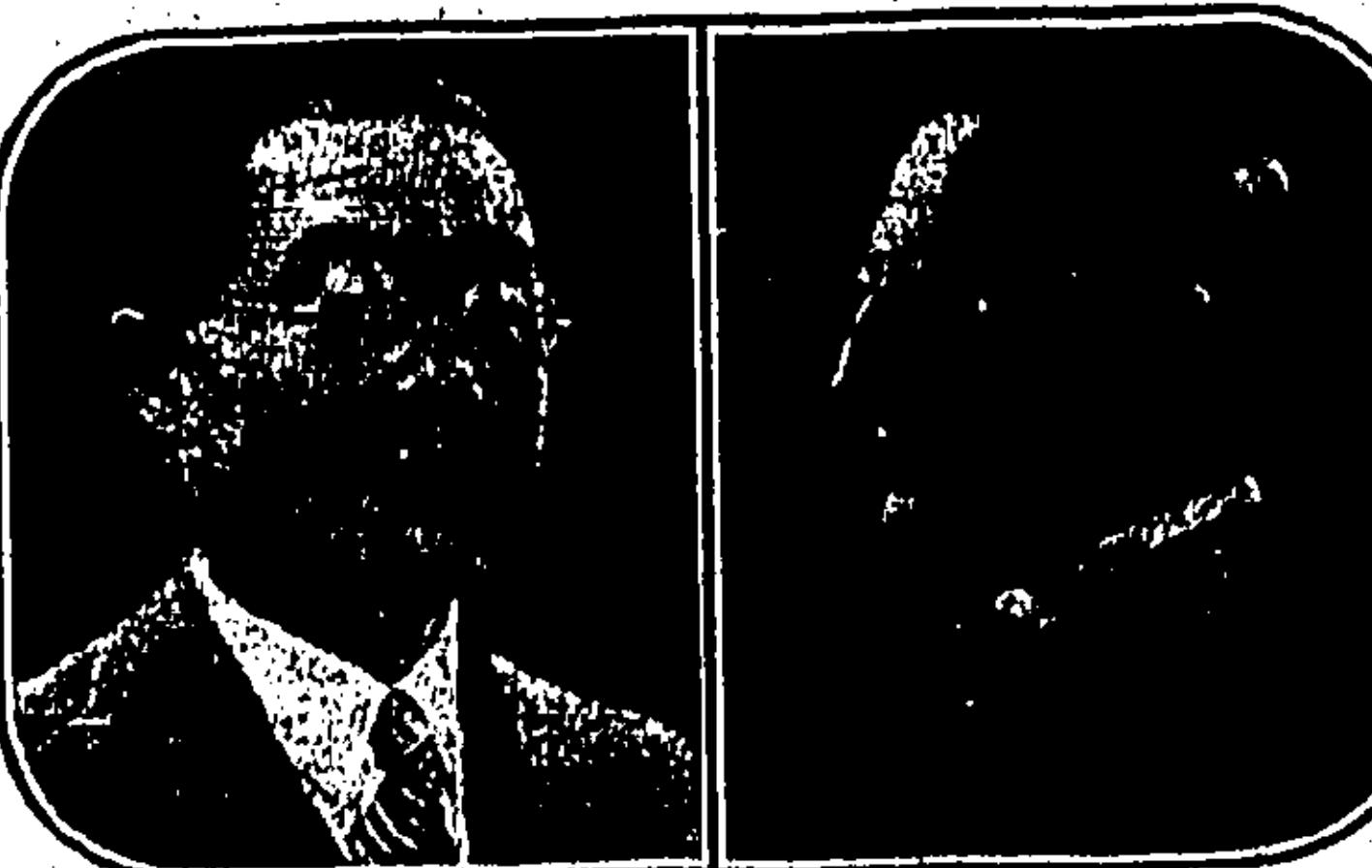
The experiment of broadcasting from a submerged submarine was made in U. S. recently, the O-8 and the operator being shown in the above pictures.



Dr. Washington Luis, deposed President of Brazil, being escorted to a liner which was to take him to exile in Europe.



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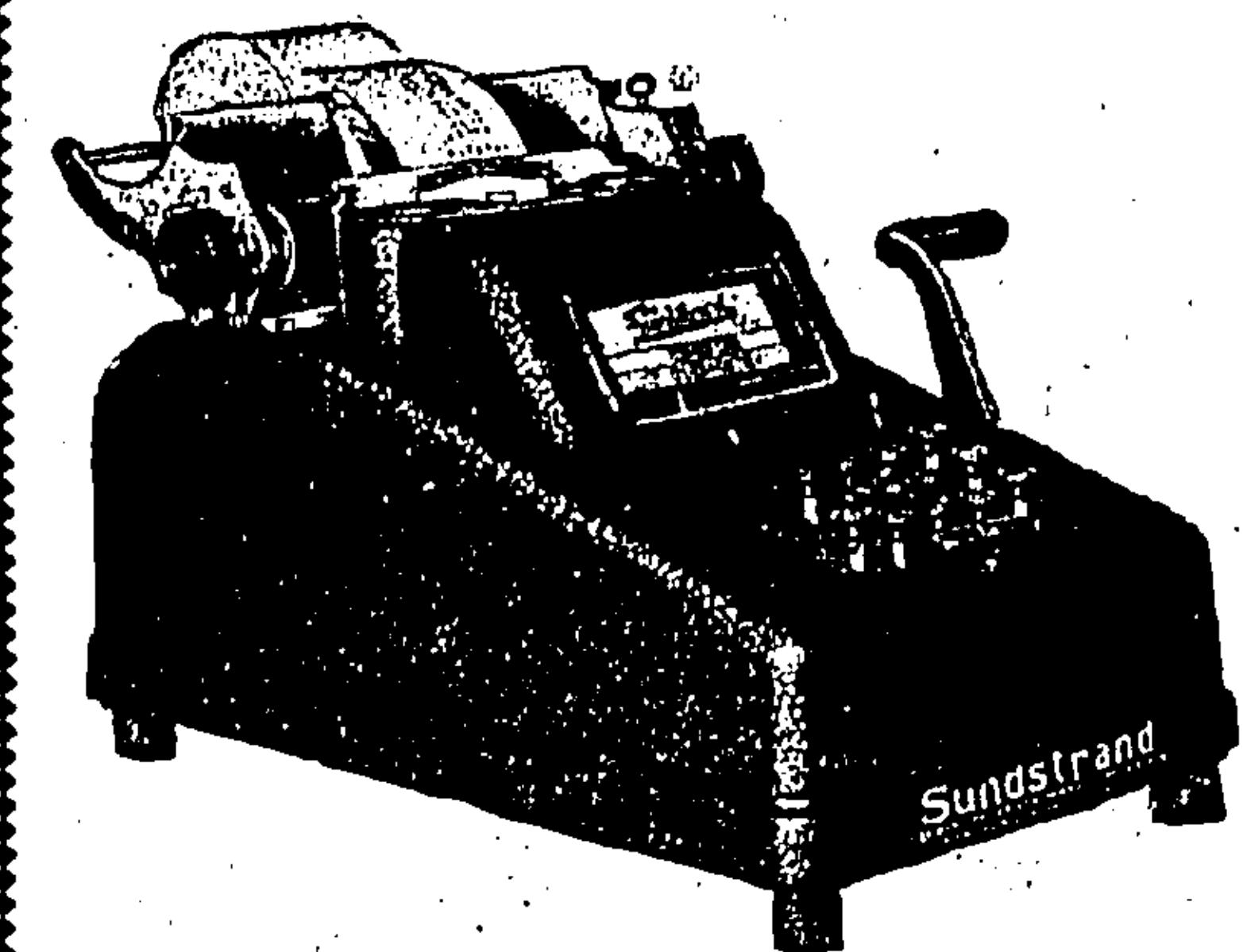
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S. HOWARD.
Hongkong, 29th January, 1931.

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PARTICULARS AND CONDI-TIONS OF the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 2nd day of February, 1931, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Mong Kok Tsui, in the Colony of Hongkong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rental	Total Price
N.	E.	W.	feet	feet	feet	
1	New Kowloon Island Lot No. 1458.	Adjoining New Kowloon Island Lot No. 1401, Fuk Wa Street.	As per sale plan.	About 13,560	\$96	\$17,355.

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N.	E.	W.	feet	feet	feet	
2	Kowloon Island Lot No. 2356.	Junction of Nathan Road and Boundary Street.	As per sale plan.	18,510	\$120	\$45,950.

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N.	E.	W.	feet	feet	feet	
3	Kowloon Island Lot No. 2357.	Junction of Nathan Road and Boundary Street.	As per sale plan.	About 19,600	\$228	\$43,550.

U. S. MINE DISASTER.

MANY KILLED IN EXPLOSION
IN INDIANA.

Linton, Jan. 28. Thirty miners are now known to have perished in the Little Betty mine, due to the explosion of a gas pocket.

There were 32 out of 115 day shift miners in the mine when the blast occurred, and two survived. The others had reached the pithead.—Reader's American Service.

At the next meeting of the Hongkong Branch of the English Association, in the Cathedral Hall, on Tuesday, February 3, at 5.30 p.m., Father Byrne, S. J. will lecture on "The Beauty in Words, and Effects of Distortion."

SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.

Hongkong Bank, \$2030 b.
Chartered Bank, £16½ n.
Mercantile A. & B., \$24½ n.
East Asia, \$120 b.

Insurances.

Canton Ins., \$1300 n.
Union Ins., \$600 s.

North China Ins., Tls. 160 b.
China Underwriters, \$32.5 b.

Yangtze Ins., \$60 n.
China Fires, \$475 b.

H. K. Fire Ins., \$1300 n.

Shipping.

Douglas, \$28¾ n.
H. K. Steamboats, \$27 n.

Indo-China, (Def.) \$30 n.
Union Waterboats, \$39 s.

Mining.

Bengtua, \$11 b.
Kailan, \$2/6 n.
Shai Explorations, Tls. 2½ n.
Rauba, \$39½ s.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$171 s.
Whampoa Docks, \$30 b.

South China Motors \$10 n.
China Providents, \$5.25 b. (old).

Hongkong, Tls. 270 n.
New Enginings, Tls. 6 n.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 106 n.

Cottons.

Two Cotton, Tls. 14.30 b.
Shai Cottons, Tls. 88 b.

Landa Hotels, etc.

H. and S. Hotels, \$12.80 b.

H. K. Land, \$84½ b. (old).
do. \$83½ b.

Shai Land Tls. 345 n.
Humphreys, \$17.30 n.
Realities, \$9.40 b.

Public Utilities.

Tramways, \$17.55 b.
Peak Trams, (old) \$14¼ n.

Star Ferries, \$92½ n.

China Lights, (old) \$25.15 b.

H. K. Electric, \$80½ s.

Telephones, \$35½ s.

China Buses, Tls. 19 n.

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CINEMA NOTES.

"ROMANCE," PERFECT VEHICLE FOR GARBO.

Greta Garbo and Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer have done right by each and their public in "Romance," which is showing on Sunday at the Queen's Theatre.

To begin with, Garbo has given her producers the greatest performance to date. And the producers have supplied Garbo with the finest stirring vehicle obtainable for a talking picture. Both have given the public the kind of Garbo it likes best.

Garbo, in her new role, is as glamourous as "Anna Christie" was drab. Although both plays are founded upon the same theme, a conflict between lovers, they bear each other no resemblance whatever.

To Clarence Brown, who directed both, is due credit for having guided the screen favourite through the perils of her first microphone experience. With the novelty of hearing Garbo's voice second to interest in her role, it appeared to this interviewer that she has become entirely oblivious of the microphone, whatever apprehension she felt in the making of "Anna Christie" having been dispelled by its great acclaim.

Instead of the strong Swedish dialect of her first talkie, Garbo uses a piquant Italian accent in her new role, that of the exotic opera star, mistress of men, who falls in love with the unsophisticated pastor of St. Giles Parish. At times, in this characterization she is called upon to speak in pure Italian. We are not prepared to say whether or not it is good Italian she speaks but nevertheless her linguistic versatility is startling.

"Thunderbolt," now showing at the Central Theatre, is a strong drama and an emotional climax. Opening in the intriguing atmosphere of Harlem's black metropolis, where George Bancroft as a fearful death-dealer sways the lives and destinies of hundreds of human beings, it swings to the awe-inspiring setting of Sing Sing's death row, where the final exciting climax in this most exciting drama are enacted.

The story captures and vivifies the dramatic incidents that cross the news horizon in the newspapers every day. It goes behind these flitting episodes and brings the whole tale forward. Superbly acted by a splendid cast, headed by Bancroft, Richard Arlen and Fred Wray, it is a slice of contemporary life made to live.

"Man Trouble," at the Queen's Dorothy Mackail, a young and gifted actress of the audible screen, attains complete success in "Man Trouble," a "straight" story, which commenced a three days' screening at the Queen's Theatre yesterday. The producers have got away from trivialities in this picture, and by a judicious choice of actors and giving them distinctive roles, have portrayed a story which is both convincing and impressive.

Miss Mackail is cast as a disillusioned girl, who recovers her interest in life through an aesthetic enjoyment of the simplicity of things. Milton Sills, as a ruthless gang-leader, conveys an impressive role of the crook who keeps his gang down with a heavy hand and blares, so to speak, his way through a maze of intrigue. Kenneth MacKenna is the newspaper man whose articles touch the responsive chord in the girl's heart which gives her renewed interest in the goodness of things, and Harvey Clark and Edythe Chapman are the old-fashioned couple who show up so delightfully in the simple home-life of the farm tucked away in the countryside.

Altogether, "Man Trouble" is good and should interest picture-goers.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	Previous Day.	Yesterday.
Paris	123.89 1/4	123.90 1/4
Geneva	26.10	25.11
Berlin	20.43 1/4	20.43 1/4
Oslo	18.16 1/2	18.16 1/2
Helsingfors	192 3/4	193
Athens	376	375
Buenos Aires	34.3/16	34.3/16
Shanghai	1/3 1/2	1/3 1/2
New York	4.86.11/16 - 4.86.10/32	4.86.11/16 - 4.86.10/32
Amsterdam	12.07 1/2	12.07 1/2
Stockholm	18.14 1/2	18.14 1/2
Vienna	34.54 1/2	34.53 1/2
Madrid	47.10	47.35
Bucharest	818	817
Montevideo	34 1/2	32 1/2
Hongkong	11 1/2	11 1/2
Brisbane	34.43	34.52 1/2
Milan	92.74 1/2	92.75 1/2
Copenhagen	18.16	18.16
Prague	164	164 1/2
Lisbon	108.25	108.25
Rio	4.3/16	4.3/16
Bombay	1/5 1/2	1/5 1/2
Yokohama	2/0.16/32	2/0.17/32
Silver (spot)	13%	13.13/16
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YOUR CHILDREN.

[By Olive Roberts Barton.]

Does your child like to be alone? Would he rather play by himself for hours at a time than mix with other children?

This in itself is all right. But children need companions, other kindred spirits, just as old people do. It is not good to be too much alone.

There are several reasons for this love of solitude in a child, but the most common one is due to his own emotional make-up. The child who builds up a little dream world of his own, an imaginative place peopled only by shapes and figures of his own conjuring, usually is the high-strung, sensitive type who shrinks from reality.

Lonely Existence.

There are many people who go through life actually living alone although there may be hundreds of people about them. They refuse to enjoy any happiness except that of their own thoughts and their own feelings.

One way to approach the matter of bringing the little hermit out of his cave is through this very idea: to see if congenial spirits won't lift the self-imposed quarantine; also to study the things that interest him most and then to work other children into his favorite plays.

It is the kindest thing in the end, if possible to get him accustomed to different sorts of companions, for he has to live in a social world made up of a variety of people and he needs preparation for that.

pathetic or admiring. He never felt elevated after he had been with them, as he did when alone in the house with just his mother. His pride suffered from that ruthless attitude of theirs.

The child with an inferiority complex usually is the most sensitive. His pride always is on the alert. If he find that by playing alone he is saving his feelings from being scraped, play alone he will.

Some Choose Own Friends.

Sometimes, of course, he will play alone because the children he knows are too entirely different from his own make-up to cause him the least interest. Older people may choose their own friends, and little people should have the same right.

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Sequins as seen in some of the newest necklaces have a most attractive, iridescent appearance. Small blue glass beads are strung alternately with large beads covered entirely with shot blue and green sequins; bracelets, too, may be obtained to match.

FASHION NOTES.

Choose Your Own Type.

Women this season are accepting their own natural allotments in the way of figures, prizing this as part of their personalities, and playing it up, instead of trying to look all alike.

And the response of fashion creators to this feminine revolt is to throw down practically all of the fixed barriers of style. There is, for instance, every length and type of coat in Paris fashions this season. You choose your own type, and if you don't know how to express yourself in your choice, it is not the fault of the fashionista. A woman wearing a long, simple coat, with a waistline adjusted to her height and bulk, is very smart, and so the woman who wears a brief, dolman jacket, and she who chooses a fitted and flaring wrap that reaches to the knees or thereabouts.

Your coat may be one length, and your dress another. Your coat may be one colour, and your frock a dissimilar hue. The "ensemble" is assembled with the greatest liberty in these matters. You choose your colours according to how they vibrate to your personality, and how neatly they fit your circumstances and environment. You do the same thing with the materials which make your clothes, and with the decoration of your dress.

A New Night Gown.



Little puff sleeves look quaint and attractive on a nightgown of soft washing satin, crepe de chine, or triple nain, made with a high waist outlined with a satin ribbon sash. Some of these nightgowns are pretty enough to be used as party frocks!

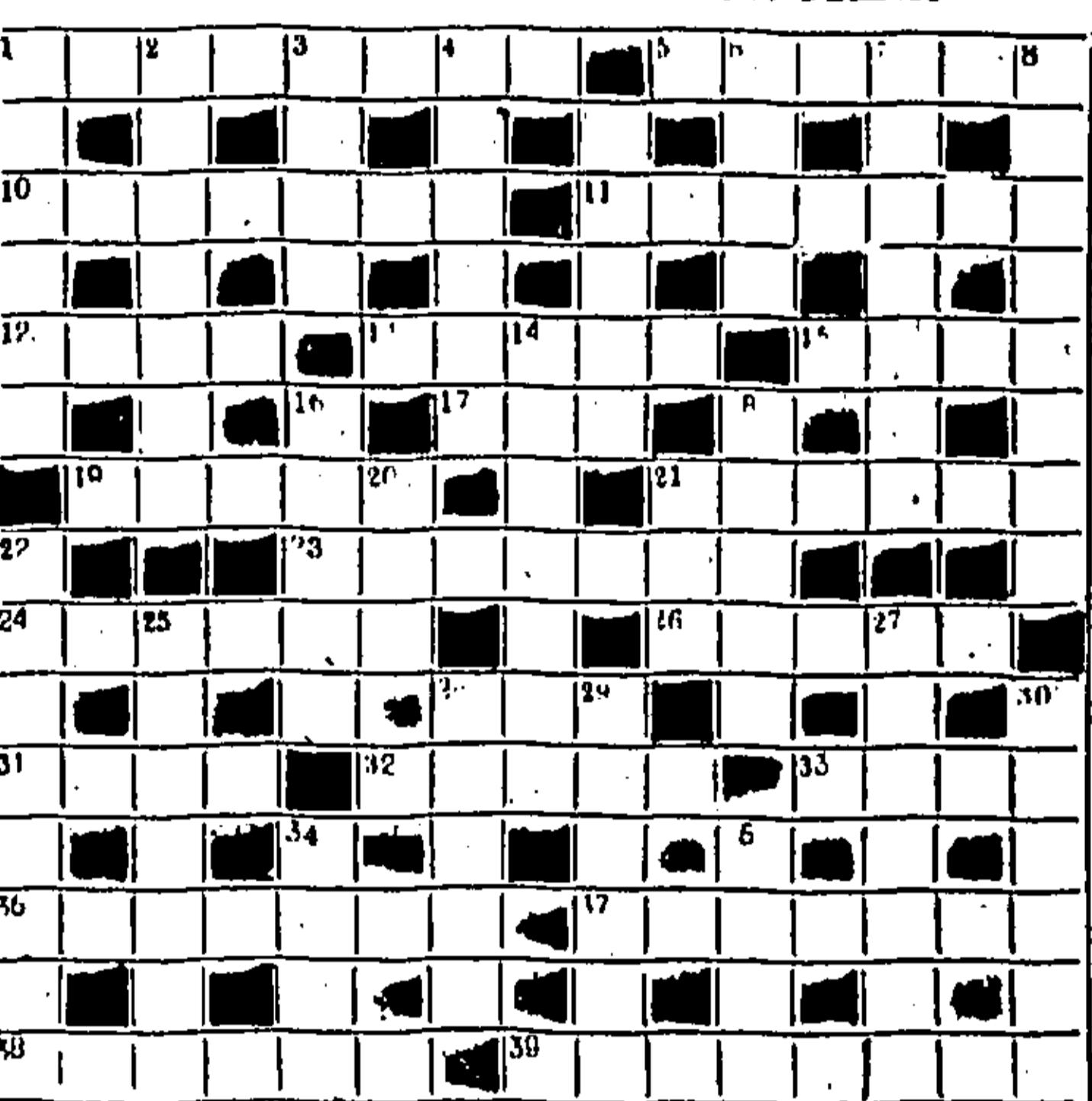
STICKLERS



THREE women went to market to sell apples. The first had 33, the second 29 and the third 27. Each of them gave the same number of apples for a penny and yet, when they got home, they found that each had received an equal amount of money. How?

Yesterday's Solution.
Using the successive numbers 12345 in the order of 13425, will let you multiply the first two numbers by the middle one and give you the last two numbers as the result.

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



1 "Joy is an—; Joy flies monoplist; it calls for two."—Young, "Night Thoughts."
5 Only foolish parents treat their children thus.

10 "Ol! call me" from the chemist's shop (anag.).

11 Here a musical instrument begins to spell death to the whale.

12 Declines.

13 Would have sounded like forty only to Julius Caesar, in spite of its meaning to surpass.

15 Grab one, at all events, and bring her back (hidden).

17 There are two little rivers of this name in the Isle of Wight.

19 Danger.

21 Gives glitter to the circus fairy.

23 Flapper characteristics.

24 Though this travels in space at high rates, it does not canvass for advertisements.

26 He was bowed down by the weight of the world.

28 You may take a dip in this without a costume.

31 "Come one, come all! this shall fly. From its firm base as soon as I."—"Lady of the Lake."

32 Do not let this make you lose your head—even with an extra head there is peril.

33 I'd leave no unusual toys there if I were you (hidden).

35 Give me that flower, "mean one!" (anag.).

37 What kind of workman holds a boat?

38 A tomboy starts off with a shout.

39 He makes tankards.

Down

1 Surpass.

2 Diameter of a bullet, for example.

3 If you are going to make a fuss in general, you must hear my side as well (hidden).

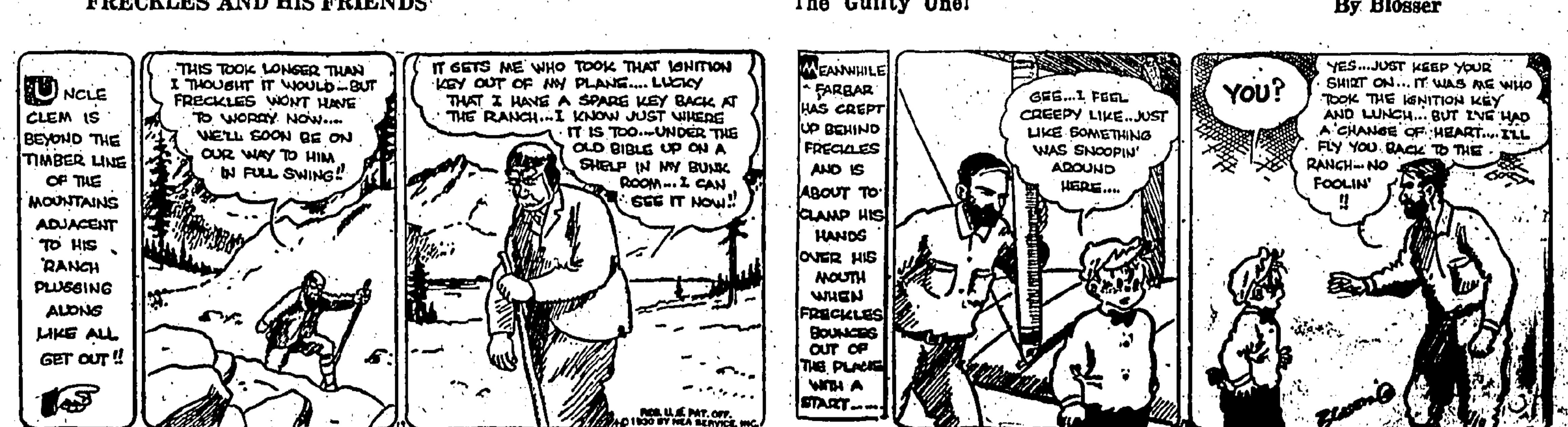
4 Jolly at the beginning and end, but a bit slack in between.

6 Knocked sideways.

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ROWELL.—On January 30th, 1931, at the Victoria Hospital, to Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Rowell, a daughter.

DEATH.

GOMES.—Francisco Theotonio Gomes, aged 70, died at his residence, No. 10, Austin Avenue, Kowloon, at 2.15 p.m. this morning. Funeral will pass the Monument at 5.30 p.m. to-day. Shanghai, Manila and Macau papers please copy.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

FRIDAY, JAN. 30, 1931.

THE EXCHANGE CRISIS.

Where is the Colony heading? Is it time to face up to the issue or are we to play blind man's buff to the last? The Government admitted, when cutting its servants' salaries by over a million dollars yesterday, that every farthing the dollar loses in sustained value costs the Treasury, and ultimately the taxpayer, a sum in excess of three lakhs. How many thousand times that sum represents the extent to which private resources, purchasing power, actual saving or capital, of the individual or the trader are sapped, is, of course, beyond computation. Yet no encouragement is given for belief that a serious attempt to tackle the problem is contemplated. His Excellency, for reasons unexplained, remains an incurable optimist. He hopes that silver will appreciate in value and that the dollar will make some recovery. He is aware of an opposite view in authoritative quarters, but remains unshaken. Shortly, it is hoped, information will be received from experts who have been examining the Report of the Currency Commission, a report which dealt very largely with the unsatisfactory state of the currency by reason of the fluctuating premium of the bank-note over the silver dollar, a condition which no longer obtains, a report, drafted before the present unexampled exchange crisis became, even a remote possibility, a report dominated by an outworn dictum, that the Colony is yoked to China and must follow her footsteps. Quite candidly, we see no prospect of useful developments from a study confined to that Report. There might be in the event of a decision by the home experts to pursue their own course.

Meanwhile, numerous questions arise. It would be interesting to know what action has been taken by the Government upon the re-

commendation that all available data be placed before expert opinion with a view to formulating and having in readiness a feasible scheme worked out in detail whereby the transfer of the Colony's currency from a silver to a gold basis may be effected as smoothly and with as little trouble and expense as possible, in case a sudden change-over be forced upon the Colony. It would be interesting to know if any action has been taken upon the Hon. Dr. Kotewall's view that expert opinion should be sought as to whether the Colony can safely adopt the gold basis even if China does not take the same course.

Does not the unparalleled cost of government and the danger—despite His Excellency's optimism—of further rises, urge abandonment of a meek acceptance of the "Wait for China" motif, already set at a discount by more than one local banker? Is, after all, the advice sound? It is not a fact that Japan, on a gold basis, depends to a great extent upon the China trade for her prosperity? Is our position so very much different from that of Japan?

If the dollar falls still further it must be fatally injurious to nearly every local interest. Every sixteenth it falls renders the task of stabilisation, if ever undertaken, just a little more difficult. The issue ought to be faced and that speedily. There appears to be little prospect of outside assistance. Mr. Snowden has made it clear that the British Government does not propose to take any step for the rehabilitation of silver, and therefore, were such a proposal to our real advantage, no reliance can be placed on the possibility of such aid. And what is the alternative? With or without China, a change-over may be forced upon the Colony in lieu of a complete breakdown of the financial structure. One of the great arguments against stabilisation at an arbitrary figure—and stabilisation at a shilling would be ludicrous—is that a serious loss would be involved to the holders of silver. The necessity of such a loss, except possibly to the exchange gamblers, has not been proved. If the shilling, worth two pence, can be legal tender for a shilling, it seems to us that the silver dollar, backed by gold, can be kept in employment as legal-tender for two shillings. Some dislocation of trade would follow stabilisation, even if Hongkong happened to be hastening after China, but the change would at least afford a wholesome benefit to the community, relief to the harassed shopkeeper and succour to the Treasury.

Silver and Gold.

The efforts of Mr. Darling to induce the British Government to take the lead in restoring the ratio between gold and silver are attracting worldwide attention. They do not, of course, everywhere secure endorsement, which, perhaps, is not to be wondered at, bearing in mind the number and variety of the interests concerned in the monetary problem. From Johannesburg, the centre of the South African gold industry, comes a note of objection uttered by Dr. Samuel Evans, who thinks the Darling ideas impracticable. The argument is that the people of South Africa would be sacrificed so that an experiment might be made to overcome the world crisis and more particularly to benefit the people of India and China. The gain, says Dr. Evans, would mainly accrue to the producers of silver in North and South America. These views represent a somewhat selfish outlook, based on a failure to realise the widespread effects of the present absurdly low price of silver. In any event, we cannot see that South Africa would especially suffer from a restoration in the price of silver, on a fixed ratio to gold. It is the growing disparity between the price of the two metals which is at the root of much of the world trade depression; the wiping out of this disparity would therefore be of universal advantage. Conceivably, the price of gold might be somewhat affected

DAY BY DAY

PREFER LOSS BEFORE UNJUST GAIN; FOR THAT BRINGS GRIEF BUT ONCE THIS FOR EVER.—*Chilton*.

The Canadian Pacific has just issued a large-type wall calendar in celebration of its fifty years' existence.

A coolie received serious injuries through a fall into the hold of the s.s. *Kutsang* yesterday.

A fok in the employ of the Che Sang firm, 45, Jervois Street, is alleged to have absconded with \$600 collected from a customer.

Eleanor Gonsalves, a ten-year-old girl, living at 558, Nathan Road, was attacked and bitten by a dog at Granville Road, yesterday. She is receiving treatment.

Passengers who arrived here from Home by the P. & O. s.s. *Malwa* included Mr. and Mrs. E. Cock, Capt. F. A. Lovegrove, Hon. Mrs. Tufton, Miss S. Tufton, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Hyne, and Mr. R. M. Keown.

Li Ki-kuen, who was arrested in Temple Street yesterday with five pounds of opium in his stockings, was charged before Mr. Butters, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, and fined \$40, or three weeks' imprisonment.

A fine of \$50, or one month's imprisonment each, was imposed by Mr. Butters, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, on two unemployed Chinese, Pun Wai and Tai Sal-wan, who pleaded guilty, to having stowed away on the s.s. *Tjimanock*, which arrived in Hong-kong from Manila.

Fifteen gold wrist watches, valued together at \$500, were recovered, it is stated, by a party of C.I.D. men, under the direction of Sargent J. Murphy, at a raid 2½, Queen's Road, yesterday, in the course of investigations into a recent robbery on the first floor of 292, Queen's Road. An alleged receiver has been arrested.

by the putting into effect of Mr. Darling's plans, but that of itself would be no bad thing. It is generally conceded that gold prices are at present far too high, so that the fixing of the ratio between the two metals, would not be prejudicial to world interests, whatever the immediate effects might be on gold producers. Indeed, if Mr. Darling's scheme worked out in this way, it would be equivalent to killing two birds with one stone. Dr. Evans thinks that the American silver producers would benefit most from the Darling plans, apparently being willing to overlook the fact that the gold producers, for whom he pleads, are gaining greatly from the situation as it is. Furthermore, when he talks of silver stability plans being designed particularly for the benefit of the people of India and China, he quite mis-states the position. With conditions as they are, the Western nations are practically cut off from the oriental markets; improve the silver outlook, and the whole world would automatically benefit. The trouble with Mr. Evans appears to be that he looks at the matter solely from the standpoint of the gold producer.

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A POET IN THE PARK.

ment of a bed-cover from an inner pocket, he blew his nose sonorously, and resented himself. He uplifted an admonitory palm and stilled the speech I had hardly begun.

"Last night," he said, "stark sanity engulfed me like a tidal wave. I saw the futility of it all."

I had been wasting my time and my life for fifteen years, and I had never even achieved print. I was up all night...burning it all."

"Burnt it all?"

"Every page! Every word! I am now going to engage myself in useful work—carrying wood, drawing water, tilling the earth, brick-laying, bridge-building, anything—but it must be useful work. What is the time, sir?"

I groped for my watch. "It is a quarter to ten," I answered, wondering what the time could matter to him.

"Then I must go. Life is too short for all I have to accomplish." He got up suddenly and threshed his arms about.

"Good-morning, sir," he cried, "we may meet again, but meantime I bid you good-morning!"

He plunged off into the swallows fog; a double cough sounded faintly as he disappeared, and I was alone again.

What a man! But he had talked sense. His rhetoric, crude as it was, was had the strength of conviction

Nevertheless, a heavy gloom seemed to have fallen on me. Gazing thoughtfully in the direction he had taken, I spied a small parcel of some sort lying on the path by the end of the seat where he had sat. I rose and picked it up. It was a substantial roll of manuscript tied round with blue worsted. I slipped off the worsted without breaking it.

Yes, of course—verse! I glanced over the first page or two. It was horrible stuff—but it was far, far better than anything I had ever written.

The quick padding of feet reached me, and I hastily slipped the worsted round the bundle. Like a tornado he burst in on me. He was out of breath from running. He had shed his hat, and with his bald head exposed, he seemed to have suddenly aged twenty years.

"Manuscript," he gasped, "bundle man-scrip!"

He clutched it to his breast, and sat down limply on the seat. I waited, while the heaving of his chest lessened.

"I thank you, sir," he said at length, "I thank you."

"So you didn't burn it all," I replied.

He barked twice at me, vigorously.

He was himself again.

"All? No, sir! Did I say all? I burned all that was worthless. I burned the dross, the matrix of these priceless gems you have just restored to me. This is the essence of my work—the limp, clarified quintessence with which I will yet win to fame. I could not burn this. No one could. It is indestructible, imperishable!"

He placed the priceless gems carefully in the pocket where he kept the bed-cover handkerchief, and rose to depart.

"You have lost your hat," I pointed out.

"It is no matter. I may find it on my way back. Once more I thank you, sir. My name—I've lost my card-case—is Cyril Bridlington Bryce. A name to conjure with! You will remember it!"

I shook the clammy hand extended to me, and waving his arm in farewell, he was off again. A muffled, "good-morning!" floated back through the mist, and he was gone—forever, I hope.

I sighed in relief, sank down into my warm overcoat, and continued my tussle with the refractory rhyme that had kept me awake all night.

J. B.

AVALANCHES IN SCOTLAND.

FEW people, apart from those enthusiasts who indulge in the exhilarating sport of mountaineering on our Scottish peaks in winter and early spring, are aware that avalanches are of frequent occurrence in the glens and corries.

True, they do not attain to the devastating dimensions of the avalanches which occur in the Alps of Switzerland, or in the great mountain ranges of Asia and America; but they are of quite sufficient size and frequency to constitute a danger to be reckoned with, and one of the first things a Scottish mountaineer has to learn in connexion with winter climbing is how to recognise, and avoid if possible, those places where a slide of snow is likely to take place.

It is particularly in the spring of the year, however, when the vast

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WHIST AND BRIDGE DRIVE.**FOR M.C.L. FUNDS AT KOWLOON.**

A successful and enjoyable whist and bridge drive was held in the Central British School last night, in aid of the Hongkong Women's Guild and Ministering Children's League.

There was an excellent attendance, with the following as prize-winners:

Ladies' Bridge.—1, Mrs. Elkins; 2, Mrs. J. Royle; lowest score, Mrs. E. Mend.

Ladies' Whist.—1, Mrs. Petrick; 2, Mrs. Colman; lowest score, Mrs. L. Mend.

Gents' Bridge.—1, Capt. Groundwater; 2, Capt. R. D. Thomas; lowest score, Mr. A. E. Atkins.

Gents' Whist.—1, Mr. Morrison; 2, Mr. Annis; lowest score, Mr. Durston.

A box of chocolates, represented by Messrs. Gilman and Co., was raffled and realised \$7, whilst further generous prize-donors were Mr. and Mrs. B. Wylie and the Dairy Farm Co. Thanks are due to Mr. Nightingale for the loan of the school hall, the Rev. W. Walton Rogers for the loan of chairs, Mrs. Lloyd Jones, Mrs. Telfer, Mrs. Wooley, Mrs. Gow and Mrs. J. Reyle for so generously giving towards the refreshments, and Miss R. Cole, Mrs. L. Cole, and A. Cole for their assistance.

KOCHOW GETS OFF THE BAR.**REFLOATED AFTER MANY VAIN ATTEMPTS.**

Information has been received to the effect that the river steamer Kochow, which for several days was aground five miles below Samshui, near Campbell Island, has been refloated and is now anchored in the West River.

The Kochow grounded last Sunday whilst returning from Wuchow to Hongkong. Every effort was made to refloat the vessel, but partly owing to the state of the tide, which is at present very low, the task was difficult.

Another attempt was made yesterday at high tide, and she was refloated. On examination, it was found that she had sustained no damage and will shortly proceed to Hongkong.

The s.s. Charles Hardouin, of the Hongkong-Canton run, went aground in the early hours of Monday morning near First Bar Island light. Her passengers were taken off by the s.s. Kinshan and taken to Canton. As far as could be ascertained this morning, she is still aground.

TRADE DISPUTES DEBATE.**DECLARATION ON 1926 STRIKE.**

London, Jan. 29. The Liberals intend to attempt to secure amendments to the Trade Disputes Bill during the committee stage.

The most interesting feature of the later part of the debate yesterday was a statement by the Solicitor General, Sir Stafford Cripps, that in his view the general strike of 1926 would have been illegal if the Act of 1927 and the Bill under discussion had then been law. This was made in response to a request by Sir John Simon, and other speakers opposing the measure, for a Government declaration on the point.—*British Wireless.*

BIG INTESTACY.**"LETTERS" GRANTED IN LOCAL ESTATE.**

Wong Tai-yan, who died intestate at No. 47, Tsz Hang Street, Canton, on February 19, 1929, left Hongkong estate which has been valued at \$48,600. Letters of administration have been granted to Wong Wing-dick, who is temporarily living at No. 220, Queen's Road Central.

Local estate to the value of \$1,500 was left by Lucas Leonardo (or Leonard) da Silva, late of No. 7, Morrison Gap Road, Hongkong, who died intestate at that address on July 7, 1930, being survived by his widow, three daughters and five sons. Letters of administration have been granted to the widow, Constance Maria da Silva.

An old man was knocked down by a tramcar near the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank this morning and rather badly hurt. A passer-by telephoned for the ambulance, which was on the scene in three minutes and removed the sufferer to hospital.

FANLING GOLF.**STARTING TIMES FOR SUNDAY.**

- 8.50 C. H. M. Andrew & A. J. R. Wolf.
9.00 J. S. McLaren & J. Smith.
9.08 C. B. Riggs & G. B. S. Thomson.
9.16 Not to be booked.
9.20 K. S. Robertson & T. Grant.
9.24 E. Nash & J. E. Richardson.
9.28 L. G. S. Dodwell & S. H. Fox.
9.32 C. E. Holmes & P. H. J. Clark.
9.36 A. C. I. Bowker & M. G. Mills.
9.40 R. K. Valentine & W. J. Clerk.
9.44 A. D. Humphrey & G. B. Dunnett.
9.48 J. P. Warren & D. C. Cleland.
9.52 W. Alabaster & D. Lyons.
9.56 R. A. Stuart & W. C. Clark.
10.00 R. E. Atwell & E. P. White.
10.04 G. A. Looper & J. H. Ashworth.
10.08 T. S. Marshall & G. Walsh.
10.12 W. Kerr & W. S. Hillier.
10.16 R. M. Henderson & J. M. Walker.
10.20 C. B. Brown & R. W. Taplin.
10.24 C. P. Ross & J. B. Lanyon.
10.28 I. Allison & W. Mulcahy.
10.32 H. Penn & J. R. Collins.
10.36 E. H. Williams & S. C. Feltham.
10.40 J. R. Mason & J. D. H. Crawford.
10.44 D. S. Robb & B. D. Evans.
11.04 W. W. Mackenzie & A. C. Ellis.
11.08 L. J. Blackburn & A. G. Coppin.
11.12 C. B. Jeffreys & J. Coulthart.
11.16 R. A. Campbell & H. Hampton.
11.20 E. P. Fletcher & G. T. May.
11.24 H. U. Ireland & A. B. Purves.
11.28 E. Storn & P. J. Sherry.
11.32 O. E. C. Marton & L. R. Andrews.
11.36 A. Ritchie & C. H. Burton.
11.40 D. J. Keogh & J. Jones.
11.44 A. C. Meredith & G. S. Hankinson.

- 11.48 A. Lenth & N. K. Littlejohn.
11.52 A. O. Brown & H. Shrubsole.
11.56 H. Lowe & L. Yates.
Noon. O. Eager & W. R. Vallance.
12.04 C. M. Gee & L. H. Ruffin.
12.08 H. R. Forsyth & M. E. Bryden.
12.12 J. K. Macfarlan & R. E. Lindroy.

- 12.16 H. C. Gould & A. H. Musson.
12.20 J. C. Campbell & J. Forbes.
12.24 R. Stock & J. Highet.
12.28 H. Spiller & J. McChamer.
12.32 W. J. Riddiford & F. Sykes.
12.36 D. Lovell & S. Dykes.
12.40 T. Lovell & D. S. Edward.
12.44 G. G. Johnson & R. L. S. Webb.
12.48 W. C. Shields & H. K. Hepburn.
12.52 D. M. Goodall & W. N. Smalley.
1 p.m. N. Croucher & E. des Voeux.

SHAMEEN FOOTBALL LEAGUE.**TARANTULA DEFEAT THE CICALA.**

Shameen, Jan. 29.

In a League match played here yesterday H.M.S. Tarantula defeated H.M.S. Cicala by 4 goals to 2 goals. From the start the Tula were pressing and kept the Cicala defence close to the home goal. After some ten minutes' play, Allen put the Tula in the lead with a shot that gave Stacey no chance. Cicala, going all out to get on equal terms, carried the game into the Tula half and Leeds in trying to find touch conceded a corner. In the melee in front of goal following the corner kick, Tula's right half handled inside the penalty area. Domoney, making no mistake with the spot kick, brought the score level. The game continued fairly even for some time, then Tula broke away and Connor with a low fast drive put them in the lead again. Half-time score:—Tarantula, 2 goals; Cicala, 1 goal.

In the second half, the Tula's side was very much the stronger,

the forwards combining well and putting in some very useful head work.

Within three minutes of the change-over they had increased their lead with a third goal from Domoney. Shortly afterwards, Cicala got a lucky goal, when, with Leeds mis-kicking, Bagshaw ran out to a swerving ball which turned off his foot and rolled into the open goal. For the remainder of the game, Tula were on top, a few minutes from the end Cannon scoring the fourth goal. Cicala fell away badly and Tula deserved their victory.

The following teams were lined up under Mr. P. Youngusband:

Tarantula:—Bagshaw; Perkins, Leeds; Evans, Webb, Talbot; Lieut. Cobb, Connan, Manning, Allen, Tubb.

Cicala:—Stacey; Pinder, Hickie;

Rees, Domoney, Rudling; Lieut. Comm. Haynes, Spurling, Rendle, Williams, McKinnon.

The following shows the present standing of the League:

P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.

Tarantula 9 5 2 2 10 12 12

Month 8 4 2 2 15 16 10

Moorhen 7 4 1 2 10 9

Seawee 2 3 1 2 12 7 9

Cicala 7 2 0 2 8 13 4

Shameen S.C. 3 1 2 6 13 23 4

Our Own Correspondent.

CAIRO TO CAPE FLIGHT.

London, Jan. 29.

The Air Minister announces that the Royal Air Force's African Service flight to the Cape, landed at Broken Hill, in Rhodesia, yesterday afternoon.—*British Wireless.*

LONDON POLITICAL SENSATION.

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and sold it for £8,000. He early made a reputation as a speaker. He was a Cabinet Minister at thirty-two. For over twenty years he has taken a leading part in national affairs, and has been one of the storm centres in British politics. What are the qualities which have made it possible for him to do these great things?

Undoubted Courage.

First, his undoubted courage. Second, his mental and physical energy. He is supposed to be delicate. His pallid face, due to a white skin, and his stooping shoulders are misleading. In fact, he is strong and muscular, with a vigorous and resilient nervous system, which enables him to stand great strain and bear heavy mental burdens.

Third, his industry. He is a prodigious, painstaking, and tireless worker, with an active brain for planning, scheming, and contriving. Before he rises in the morning, he covers page after page with his neat handwriting, and this is only the prelude of his day's work. But he is energetic physically as well as mentally. Such strenuous recreations as polo appeal to him, and he was for some time, an enthusiastic aviator. He is an omnivorous reader, with the art of picking out books that matter and the things that matter in books.

Imagination and Confidence.

Fourth, his imagination. His teeming brain is full of original

THE "TELEGRAPH" ART SUPPLEMENT.**TO-MORROW'S SELECTION OF PICTURES.**

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There will be many pictures of topical interest in tomorrow's issue of the *Telegraph* Art Supplement.

Weddings illustrated will include those of Mr. S. Berg and Miss Tui O'Kane, Mr. W. Hillier and Miss A. M. Sillice, Mr. Ng Hin-yuen and Miss Nora Chan, Mr. Chu Joe and Miss Wong Shou-ching, and Mr. So Kim-sung and Miss Lam Siu-ying.

There will be some interesting snapshots of the golf match at Fanling between local players and the American pros, one showing H. E. the Governor with the noted visitors.

A group of players who took part in the golf match at Canton between sides representing England and America will also appear.

Other pictures will include some of the sinking of the s.s. Tricolor, snapshots taken at the Fanling Hunt Race Meeting, and a photo taken at the Hongkong University Christian Association's annual social function.

They came to a place where a large fissure showed in the snow, and one of the party inadvertently began to walk along the lower edge of it.

His weight was just enough to cause the enormous lightly-poled mass to break away, and in a moment the whole party were engulfed, and careering rapidly down the mountain side smothered in snow.

When they came to a standstill, one of them fortunately had his head uppermost. He found two of his companions by their feet sticking out of the snow. The fourth man was invisible, but as they were all roped together they quickly located him, and nobody was any worse off than the adventure, in spite of the fact that they had descended several hundred feet in a few seconds.

Sixth, his rhetorical powers. He is a master of rhetoric, or the art of arranging arguments so as to suit the purpose in hand.

Seventh, his power of work.

He has a passion for sonorous phrases, and can make words on the page like diamonds. In short, he has the rare gift of style. He will take any pains to find the right word, and when he bears a new one that takes his fancy will carefully store it away for future use.

Eighth, his remarkable factual and verbal memory, enabling him to remember dry facts or to reel off snatches of poetry, prose, or popular songs.

Ninth, his sense of humour.

Tenth, his confidence in himself and his opinions. Politicians regard themselves as social doctors. A doctor who has no confidence in his remedies is rarely successful, and so it is, we suppose, with politicians.

The Hon. Mr. Tso Chuan Gen alias Kwei To, member of the Executive Committee of China, President of the Examinations Board and Ex-Chancellor of Dr. Sun Yat-sen's University of Canton, will give a public lecture on "The Value of Chinese Literature and its Position in the Cultural World," to the Chinese Society of the University of Hongkong in the Great Hall to-day at 5.15 p.m.

Dr. J. Howard Montgomery will read his paper on Radium before the Hongkong University Medical Society on Wednesday, February 4, instead of February 2, at the Union Assembly Room at 6.30 p.m.

A largely-attended Burns Night concert was held at the Thoatro Royal.

Mr. J. P. P. read his paper on "The History of the English Language" before the Hongkong University English Society on Friday, February 6, at 6.30 p.m.

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THE LAI WAH CUP FINAL

CIVILIANS EXPECTED TO WIN AGAIN.

POWERFUL ATTACKS.

[By "Wanderer."]

Senior league footballers may adopt the role of grandstand critics to-morrow when the Lai Wah Cup Final is the only important fixture on the local soccer programme, which is as follows:

Lai Wah Cup Final.

Chinese v. Chinese.—Club ground, 3.30 p.m.

Second League.

Navy v. Navy, I.H.V., 2.30; Eastern v. St. Joseph's—Chinese, 2.30.

S.W. Borderers v. R.A.—Sookun-poo, 2.30.

Athletic v. Kowloon—Kowloon, 2.30.

Argyllia v. South China—Chatham Road, 2.30.

Recreio v. University—Recreio, 2.30.

Third Division.

R.E. v. R.A.S.C.—Chatham Road, 2.30.

R.A.F. v. R.A.O.C.—Recreio, 4 p.m.

Chinese v. S.W.B.—Chinese, 4 p.m.

South China v. Ewan—Caroline Hill, 2.30.

There can be little doubt that the Lai Wah Cup Final will provide one of the finest games of the season. The Civilians, four times winners in the six seasons the trophy has been in competition, and holders, are as strongly represented as ever before, while the Chinese, who are likely to field a majority of South China players, are keen to capture the trophy for the first time.

One imagines that high scoring will be the order of the day. Both teams are very strong forward, the Civilians would appear to be a trifle stronger in this department, while the Chinese are expected to be sterner in defence. A. Gosano's presence should make the Civilians favourites.

The game starts at 3.30 p.m., half an hour earlier than the usual time of kick-off, which should be noted.

The Civilians will probably line up as follows:

Clark (Police); Strange (Club), Bishop (Club), Hedley (Kow-

LOCAL HOCKEY.

The following have been selected to play for the Club de Recreio and the St. Andrew's Club in their first match in the Caer Clark Cup League:

Club de Recreio:—C. Botelho, G. Silva, L. Silva-Netto, A. Alves, M. Remedios, N. Xavier, M. Alves, E. Rosario, M. Basto, C. Osmund, B. Remedios.

St. Andrew's Club:—R. Rose, P. Woolley, I. Rogers, I. Woolley, M. White, I. Gittins, E. Landolt, M. Woolley, N. Field, P. Gittins, A. N. Other.

The match will take place to-morrow on the K.B.S.F.P.A. ground, King's Park at 4.15 p.m.

CRICKET.

The following teams have been selected for the match to be played on the Club ground to-morrow:

Married:—T. E. Pearce, G. R. Sayer, E. B. Reed, N. A. Thorp, E. J. R. Mitchell, E. R. Duckitt, R. H. Wild, H. J. Armstrong, J. Hiley, E. C. Etherington, J. R. Way, S. J. Stanesby, Single:—A. Reid, R. M. Atrey, K. H. Batzer, O. E. C. Marton, R. H. Griffith, W. Rigg, H. F. Green, R. K. Hepburn, D. A. Hutchinson, C. A. Wright, C. E. Gahagan, J. McFarlane.

Members of the Hongkong Stock Exchange will celebrate the 40th anniversary of the foundation of the Exchange at a reception at their rooms, Exchange Building, at noon Tuesday.

London, Oran (Police), Duncan (Club); B. Gosano (Recreio), Segalen (Club), A. Gosano (Recreio), Rocha (Recreio), Pile (Kowloon).

The Second Division does not offer a game of outstanding interest, but there is certain to be a good game at the Recreio ground when the R.A.F. and the R.A.O.C. meet in a Third Division match.

The following will represent the Club 2nd XI against the Navy at Happy Valley at 2.30 p.m. to-morrow:—Fogwill, Stoker and Potoulis; Sloan, Puncheon and Hynes; Alexander, Bell, Strange, Jackson and Smith. Reserve:—Hooper.

The following have been selected to represent the Kowloon F.C. 2nd eleven against the Chinese:—Angus, Guest and Everest; H. Brown, Gilchrist and Smith; White, A. B. Clemo, Sparry, Whiting and Bickford.

Reserves:—Cotton, Kerr, Hast and Eastman.

LAST INTERPORT SOCCER TRIAL.

TUESDAY'S MATCH AGAINST THE NAVY.

PROBABLE ELEVEN.

[By "Wanderer."]

The last Interport Trial, before the selection of Hongkong's team to meet Shanghai, is to be played on Tuesday next on the Club ground, when the opposition will be provided by a strong Royal Navy team.

The following have been selected to represent the Probables:

Clark (Police); Li Tin-sang (South China), Bishop (Club), captain; Hedley (Kowloon), Eynon (Borderers), Yeoman (Argylls); B. Gosano (Recreio), Segalen (Club), A. Gosano (Recreio), Fung King-cheung (S. China), Ip Pak-wa (South China).

Reserves:—Sten Kam-shun, Lam Yuk-ying, Strange, A. Duncan, Blackburn.

With one exception this is the side I outlined on Wednesday as my choice for the Interport team. If the players perform to expectations, it is considered unlikely that any change will be made when the final choice is undertaken at conclusion of the match, which kicks off at 4.30 p.m. sharp.

SUGAR MARKET.

THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS.

The following cable at the close of the sugar markets yesterday has been received by Messrs. Pentreath and Co.

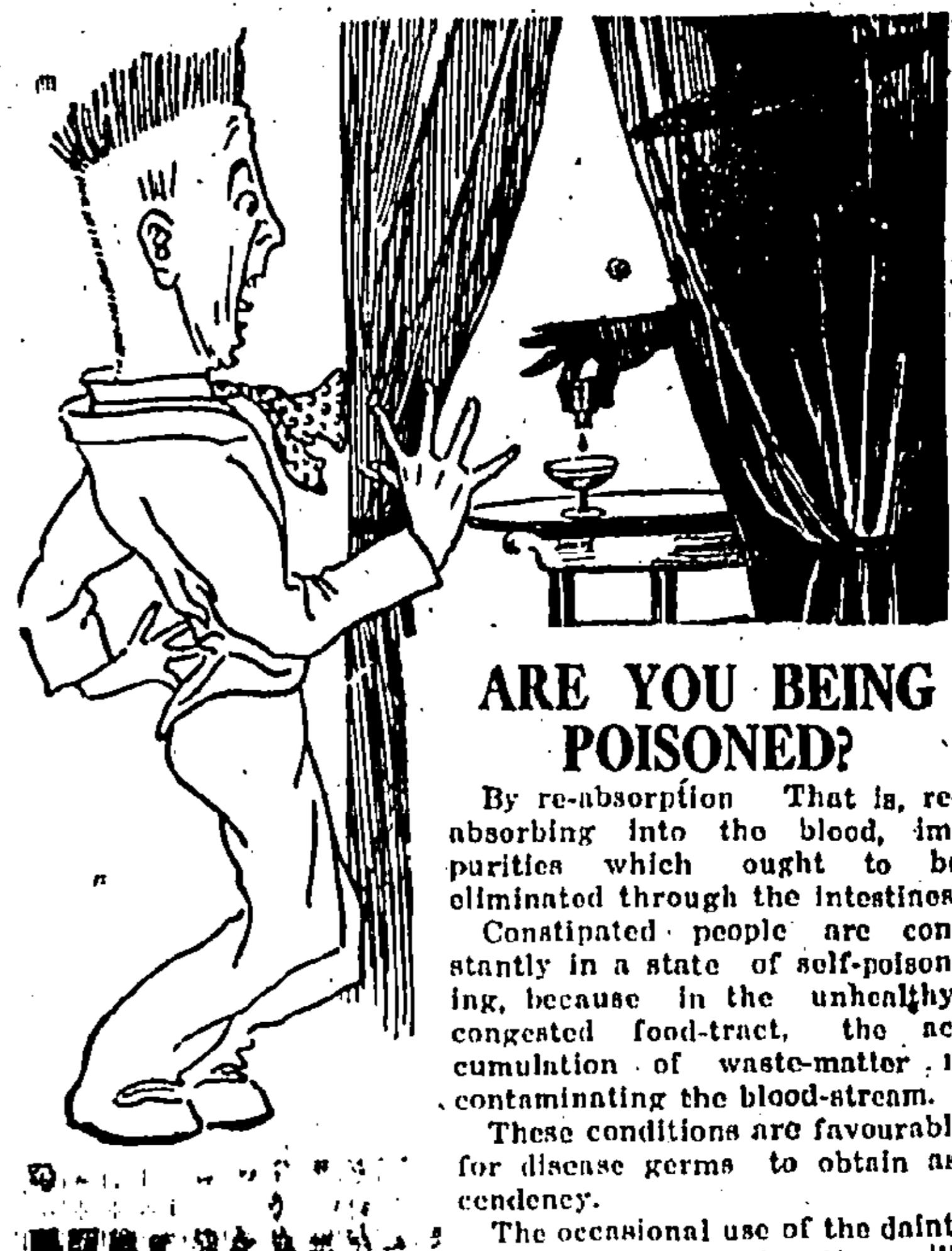
London Terminals.

March 5/9½ no change.
May 6/—½ up ½d.
August 6/—½ up ½d.
December 6/—½ up ½d.

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New York Terminals.

March 1.21 down 3 pts.
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LOCAL CRICKET.

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First Division v. Royal Navy, on K.C.C. ground:—J. C. Lyal, E. C. Fincher, E. F. Fincher, F. Goodwin, F. Zimmerman, W. C. Hung, F. Gregory, A. R. F. Raven and F. Lawrence, G. C. Burnett, N. A. Cavendish.

E. Mackay, R. A. Carroll and R. G. V. Mead.

Second Division v. Club de Recreio, on Recreio ground:—R. E. Lindsell, G. Lee, F. E. Skinner, H. Overy, F. S. W. Smith, S. Jex, G. A. V. Hall, A. A. Dand, D. W. Gregory, A. R. F. Raven and F. Lawrence.

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by ANNE AUSTIN author of "THE BLACK PIGEON" and "MURDER DISCLOSED"

BEGIN HERE TODAY.

"The dress is 12-or 13 years old," Lydia said, her voice dull now with grief. "I know, because I used to do dressmaking during the war. And it was during the war that girls wore their hair that way—I did mine in a French knot, but the French roll was more stylish."

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Lydia shook her head. "No. She wouldn't talk about it—just said I'd know something why she kept it... Royal blue velvet, it is, the skirt halfway to the ankles, and sleeves with long pointed ends, lined with gold taffeta, and finished off with gold tassels. It's in a dress bag, hanging in her closet."

Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga:—Can the Committee have a little more information concerning this Kowloon Tuni Road? Can we know, for instance, if this road is the road that leads from Boundary Road, through the new section of Kowloon Tuni, passing by the De La Salle College and on in to Kowloon City?

Director of Public Works:—No. This is the road which runs east of the Kowloon Tong development. It then turns round to the west at the top of the estate. This work was at the north of the estate where the recreation ground is.

Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga:—What two roads does it link?

Director of Public Works:—It is an extension of Waterloo Road, Prince Edward Road, to the top of the Kowloon Tong site and there it ends at present.

Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga:—The upper end of the Kowloon Tong Estate?

Director of Public Works:—Yes.

The Chairman:—Past the recreation ground.

Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga:—Which recreation ground?

Director of Public Works:—The small one to the north-west of the Kowloon Tong estate quite a small one.

Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga:—By the railway, near to where a fence has just been erected?

Director of Public Works:—Yes.

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PUBLIC MONEY.

SMALL VOTES APPROVED YESTERDAY.

A meeting of the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council was held yesterday afternoon at which votes totalling \$21,448 were approved. During the discussion of the votes it was stated by the Colonial Secretary that no work in connexion with the recommendations of the Playing Fields' Committee would be carried out during the present year.

Kowloon Tuni Road.

Regarding a vote for \$500 towards the cost of extending the 100 foot road at Kowloon Tuni, the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall asked:

"Was this work let on a lump-sum contract?"

Director of Public Works:—No. By rate. As explained in the Musing there was considerable more rock and crowbar work entailed than originally anticipated.

All classes are to begin immediately after the termination of these holidays.

of the money was to be secured from savings from the sub-head "Preparing Playing Fields Areas."

"Do I take it that \$1,000 of the sum set aside for playing fields is to be utilised in connexion with the work at the Traffic Circus?"

The Chairman:—That is what it looks like, Mr. Braga. There will undoubtedly be a saving on the vote recommended.

Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga:—Then the recommendation for playing fields has been trimmed down by \$1,000?

The Chairman:—All the recommendations cannot be adopted at once.

Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga:—I agree, but apparently, there is to be a saving here of \$1,000.

The Chairman:—There is no hope of getting on with any of that work this year.

Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga:—Then, for all practical purposes, the Playing Fields' Committee's recommendations may never be carried into effect.

The Chairman:—Not carried into effect during 1931.

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Dora Maughan and Walter Fehl.

Orchestral Old Time Songs.

Jack Hylton and His Orchestra.

Dialogue-Blossom's Film Scenario.

John Henry and Blossom.

Song-Poor Old Joe (Traditional).

Paul Robeson.

Orchestral-Hello! 1930.

Mark Weber and His Orchestra.

Song-a Fire Down Below b.

Hullabaloo-hull (Harris).

John Goss Baritone (Tenor).

Organ Solo-A Musical Trip Round The British Isles.

Reginald Feart.

8.00-8.35 p.m. From the Studio.

Piano Solo-Etude (Chopin).

Musical Box (Leibnitz).

Misa C. Braga.

Violin Solo-Lied (Heller Ernst).

Mr. J. Braga.

Trios-Meant At Thy Sweet Voice.

C. Salut-Sauna.

Misses and Mr. Braga.

Piano Solo-Prelude in C Sharp Minor.

G. Rachmaninoff.

Miss Mayung.

Violin Solo-Brindisi (Waltz).

(D. Alard).

Mr. J. Braga.

Trio-One Fleeting Hour.

(Dorothy Lee).

8.25-9.00 p.m. Tschaikowsky's Nutcracker Suite.

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9.00-9.30 p.m. Weather Report, Local Time etc.

9.05-9.35 p.m. Concert Items.

Organ Solo-Melody in F (Rubenstein).

Edward O'Henry.

Song-I Passed By Your Window (Brahe).

Walter Glynn (Tenor).

Trio-A Perfect Day (Carrie Jacobs-Bond).

Victor Salon Trio.

Song-Fairies b. Come To The Fair (Faithorne Martin).

Song-Jack The Fiddler.

The Ballad Of Menor.

Percy Henning (Baritone).

Home Sweet Home (Thalberg).

Arthur Meule.

Song Eileen Alannah (Thomas).

Come Back To Erin (Claribel).

Walter Glynn (Tenor).

9.35-9.50 p.m. Organ Concerto In B Flat (Handel).

Dr. E. Burden playing on the organ of Westminster Abbey.

9.50-10.00 p.m. Gelska Selections (Silvie Jones).

Marek Weber and his Orch.

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Steady progress is announced in the annual report of the Hongkong Union Church just issued by the Committee of Management.

Early in the year, it says, the Minister, Rev. E. C. Young, was taken ill with pneumonia and passed away on February 21. This was an inevitable loss to the Church, as, during his period of 16 months in Hongkong, Mr. Young had not only endeared himself to all members of the congregation—and to all outside who knew



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ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH MEETING.

EXTENSION AT KOWLOON TONG PROPOSED BY COUNCIL.

The brief intimation that the officers of St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, were contemplating extending their activities to the district of Kowloon Tong, where it was intended to erect a branch church, was made by Mr. C. Carruthers, Hon. Secretary of the Church Council, at the annual meeting which was held in the Church Hall last evening.

The Rev. W. W. Rogers, the Vicar, presided at the meeting, and he was supported by Mr. Carruthers, Mr. O. B. Raven (Hon. Treasurer), Mr. F. W. Stapleton (People's Warden), Mr. J. W. Baldwin (Vicar's Warden), and Capt. R. D. Thomas.

Addressing the meeting, the chairman said that the past year was the first they had spent since the passing of the Church Ordinance, and he thought it had been a satisfactory year. Much of the faithful work was due to the members of the Council and also to the various committees appointed by the Council to deal with certain aspects of the Church's work.

Activities Reviewed.

In referring to the Financial Committee, of which Capt. R. D. Thomas was the chairman, the Vicar mentioned that for the first time since he had arrived in the Colony they had arrived in the Colony they had a debit balance, which he attributed to the collapse of the dollar.

The Church Welfare Committee, under the chairmanship of the Rev. E. A. Armstrong, had done valuable work. The social side of the Church's activities had been organised by the committee of the St. Andrew's Club, who had continued to provide the congregation with bathing picnics in the summer. During the year Mr. F. W. Stapleton resigned as treasurer, and Mr. O. B. Raven was appointed in his place, but the chairman was grateful to Mr. Stapleton for acting as People's Warden. In April Mr. J. H. Hunt, Vicar's Warden, went home on furlough and the vacancy was filled by Mr. J. W. Baldwin, who had also acted as choir master during the absence of Mr. R. Baldwin, whom they welcomed back, together with Mrs. Baldwin.

Continuing, the chairman said that the warm thanks of the congregation were due to Mr. J. W. Baldwin and also to Mr. R. H. Woolley for his services as organist, and to him the Council had granted \$200 for his very willing services. Thanks were expressed to Capt. Thomas who had read the lesson each Sunday, while a tribute was also paid to the Secretary of the Church, Mr. C. Carruthers.

"Boy's" Loyal Service.

Another person he would like to mention, proceeded the chairman, was the Church "boy" who, this year, completed twenty-five years' loyal service, and he (the speaker) was sure the congregation would like him to pay that tribute to the "boy" for the efficient way in which his work had been done (Applause). The speaker expressed sympathy in the loss the "boy" had sustained in the death of his

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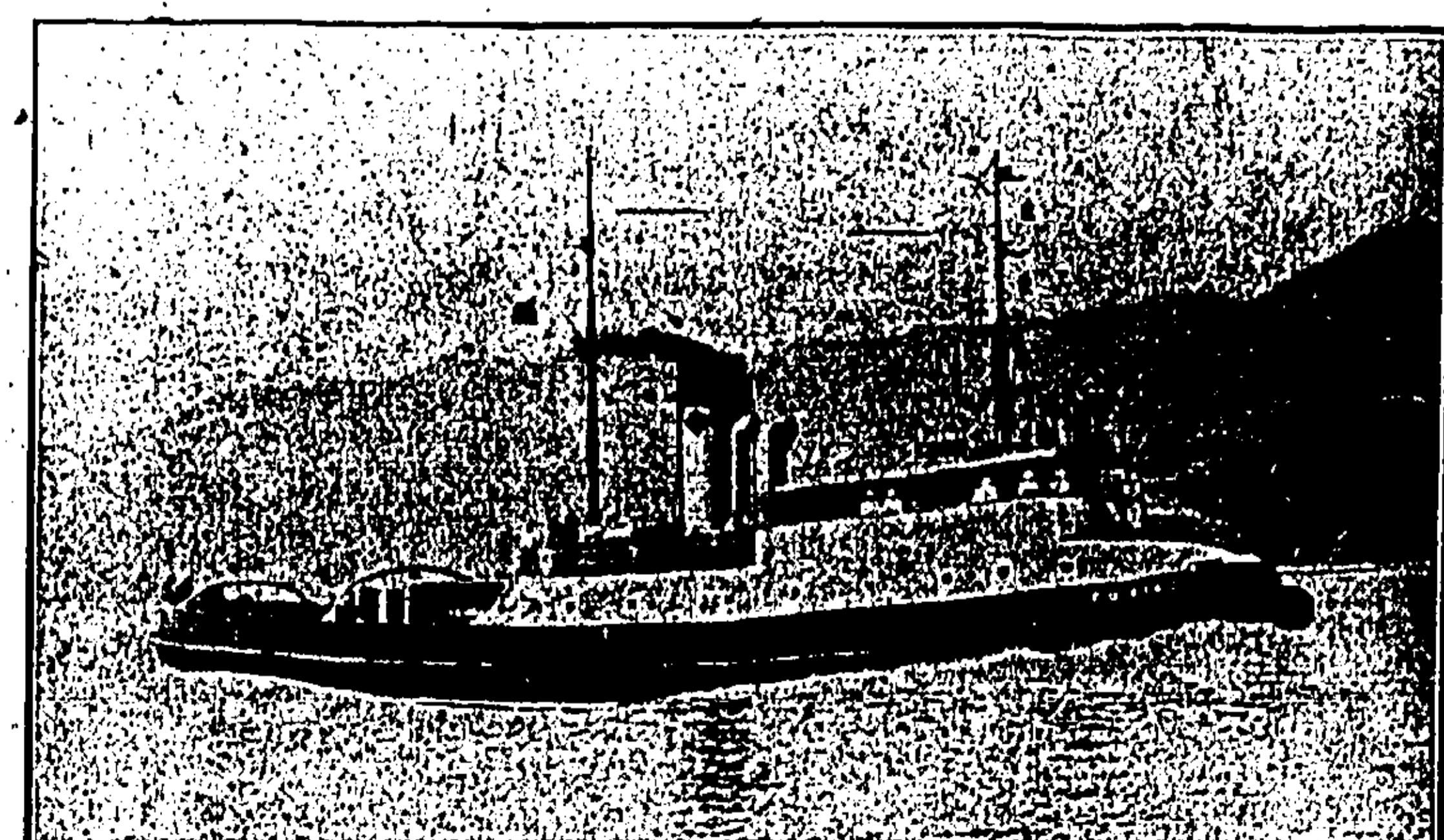
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PROHIBITION ON DANCING.

CANTON POLICE LIKELY TO ISSUE ORDER.

Canton, Jan. 28.

After a prolonged period of inactivity, of two years, the managers of dancing halls in Canton, including the National Garden, on the Bund, are understood to be making preparations for the resumption, but information from official circles points to the possibility of an announcement by the Canton Police to prohibit dancing parties under public management.

For two years the Government has strictly prohibited dancing organised by public halls, but recently with the termination of war in South and North China the managements of the suspended dancing halls submitted a joint petition to the Canton Police suggesting that the authorities should take a lenient view of amusement among the populace in time of peace. A few prominent officials of the Government who are dancing enthusiasts have also expressed the opinion that the Police should permit public dancing parties each Saturday.

young son in October last following a short illness, resulting from a fall of a chair on which he had been standing.

The speaker announced that this year the Church would be celebrating its 25th anniversary, and one of the things to be considered was how the anniversary should be celebrated. It was hoped that it would be marked in more ways than one. The speaker mentioned the present deteriorated condition of the organ, and expressed the hope that one of the considerations would be to start a fund for its renovation.

The Vicar mentioned the names of two ladies present at the meeting who had attended the first meeting of the Church twenty-five years ago. He said that they had with them Miss Hayward who was present at the opening of the Church, while Mrs. Hopwell told him that she had not missed one annual meeting since the Church opened.

The secretaries of the various organisations affiliated to the Church then presented their reports. In his review of the affairs of the Church Council, Mr. Carruthers mentioned that the extension at Kowloon Tong was being fully discussed. The treasurer's report presented by Mr. O. B. Raven showed a debit balance of \$4,444.34.

Reports were read by the following:—Mrs. E. Thomas (Communicants' Union), Miss McGill (Victoria Diocesan Missionary Association), Mrs. J. W. Baldwin (Mothers' Union), Mr. R. Dorner (Scouts), Miss M. White (Cubs), Mr. R. H. Wong (St. Andrew's Club), Miss W. A. Robinson (Scripture Union), Rev. E. A. Armstrong (Senior Department of the Sunday School and Church Magazine), Mrs. W. W. Rogers (Primary Department of the Sunday School), and Mr. A. W. Eastman (Envelope System).

The officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:

Church Council.—Mr. J. W. Baldwin, Mr. R. Baldwin, Mr. C.

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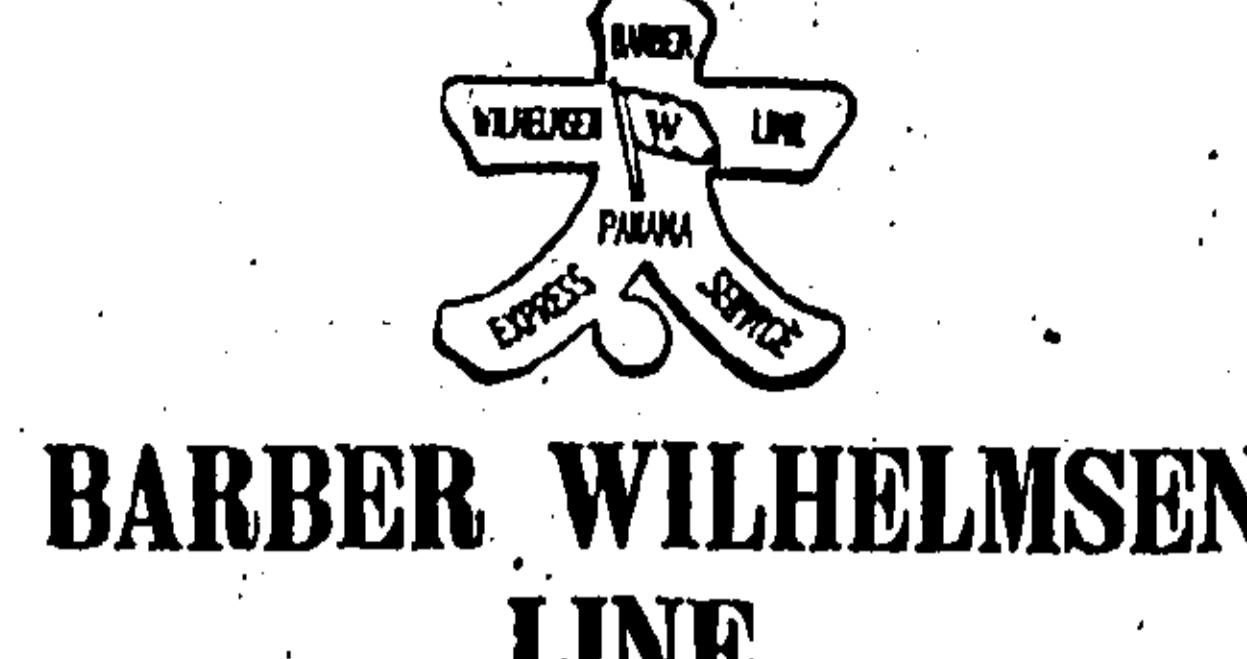
People's Warden, Mr. F. W. Stapleton; Vicar's Warden, Mr. J. W. Baldwin.

It was also proposed that Mr. T. A. Martin, who had been Hon. Auditor for several years, be invited to become Hon. Auditor for the forthcoming year.

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TIENTSIN SEIZURE.

Geneva, Jan. 29.—Sir Malcolm Delvingne, the British delegate to the Opium Committee, to-day rebutted the institution of the National Anti-Opium Association of China regarding a house in the British Concession at Tientsin, which contained the necessary plant for the extraction of heroin from floor polish sent from France.

The British delegate emphasized that the discovery of the plant was made by the British Municipal Police, while the Chinese Maritime Customs was responsible for admitting the materials.

Mr. Woo Kai-seng (China) said he fully appreciated that prompt and effective action was taken by the British authorities. He added, however, that the existence of foreign concessions in China led to delays and difficulties in coping with the illicit traffic in drugs.

Mr. Lyall, the chairman of the Opium Board, stressed the unsatisfactory state of the law in China as regards procedure and the penalties for participation in the illicit traffic.—*Reuters*.

OPIUM FOUND IN SUIT-CASE.

THREE ARRESTS: TWO MEN CONVICTED.

Revenue Officer Young, before Mr. Butters, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, charged Li Ying, Li Ping-nan and Lau Chau-kam, with possession of twelve taels of prepared opium on the ground floor of No. 149, Cheung Shue Wan Road, yesterday.

The first defendant pleaded guilty, but the second and third not guilty.

Revenue Officer Young said that about 11 a.m. yesterday he went to 149, Cheung Shue Wan, a cubicle which the first defendant said was tenanted by him. On entering, witness saw the other two defendants sleeping. A search was made and a suit-case containing the opium and \$400 in local currency and \$24 in Chinese currency was found. A number of visiting cards bearing the second defendant's name were found in the suit-case.

The second defendant admitted the suit-case belonged to him. Mr. Butters discharged the third defendant and fined the first and second men \$1,440 or six months' each.

CONFIDENCE TRICK AGAIN.

TWO WOMEN SWINDLED YESTERDAY.

There have been two further instances of the banknote confidence trick, an evergreen swindle which has not lost anything of its effectiveness through repeated operation.

It was reported to police yesterday that Chung Tai-mui, a married woman living at 63, Hollywood Road, suffered the loss of \$213 worth of jewellery by men who commissioned her to change a wad of notes. The parcel supposed to contain these bills was subsequently found to hold nothing more valuable than blank paper.

Chan Wai-yuk, a woman living at 65, Queen's Road Central, had a similar complaint to make to the police when she stated having, half-an-hour previous to the other case, met two men in the street who tricked her into handing over her personal trinkets, amounting in value to nearly \$100.

No arrests have yet been effected in either case.

HONGKONG-CANTON TELEPHONE.

SUBMARINE CABLE LAID THIS MORNING.

The first section of the Hongkong-Canton trunk telephone cable, so far as the local part of the scheme is concerned, was successfully completed this morning, when the submarine section was laid in the Harbour Cable Reserve. The work was carried out under the supervision of Mr. J. P. Sherry, manager of the Hongkong Telephone Co., Ltd., and took just a little less than an hour to accomplish.

The laying-down of underground cables is already being carried out in Canton in connexion with the new trunk telephone cable, and as soon as sufficient cable is received in Hongkong, the underground work will also begin here.

There is little doubt that the scheme will be an accomplished fact by August of this year.

LORDS' VIEWS ON DISARMAMENT.

ASSURANCE WANTED FROM OTHER POWERS.

RISKS OF DELAY.

London, Jan. 29.—In the House of Lords, Lord Dickinson opened a debate on International Disarmament and referred to the Conference which the Council of the League of Nations had decided should meet in February next.

Viscount Cecil said that while international competition in armaments went on, peace could not be regarded as secure. The question was whether disarmament was possible. He believed it was, and there was a really good chance of its being brought about.

Lord Bridgeman (Conservative) said Britain alone of the European countries had made an enormous reduction in naval strength which could only be justified if they were met by corresponding reductions by other powers. We must all hope for the success of the Conference next year. He hoped the Government would be able to give some comforting assurance that other Powers did propose to reduce, but figures of their expenditure seemed rather to indicate that they were increasing their armaments.

Lord Parmoor, replying for the Government, said he endorsed Lord Cecil's statement. The risk of nations falling again into a condition of progressive armaments rivalry which caused the Great War must by all means be avoided. That meant disarmament.

The Conference next year, said Lord Parmoor, must fill in the actual figures in the skeleton scheme of the League's Preparatory Commission. Without being an alarmist, he could not help feeling that delay meant risk and might bring great difficulties. He paid a tribute to the work of Lord Cecil over many years in the cause of international disarmament.—*British Wireless*.

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